"Those who are lovers of wisdom must be inquirers into many things indeed"
- Clement of Alexandria

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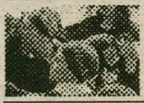

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SA funding criticized

by Meghan Hern '01
NEWS WRITER

Anger, confusion and satisfaction were a few of the conflicting sentiments that crept into the voices of students who petitioned the Student Assembly for funding of their organizations on February 7.

Each semester the Student Assembly allocates funds to many of the organizations on campus. This semester, 34 organizations participated in the budget hearing, vying for a percentage of the $112,000 that the Assembly had to distribute. Throughout the day, representatives from the various clubs and organizations met with the funding committee to explain plans and goals for the semester, including the purpose for which the money would be used.

In response to the negative atmosphere and apparent disappointment surrounding the distribution of funds, Aaron Gavett '01, said "I think a lot of the problem was that people requested lump sums without really specifying exactly what they wanted to use it for."

Student Assembly has a strict policy it follows when determining organization funding.

"The first thing we look at is the quality of the programming," said Student Assembly President Jack Spangler '00. "The funding proposals were fairly reasonable, though, so that puts you in a tough spot. So the next thing we look at is who the money is going to serve."

Both Spangler and President ex-officio John Fantauzzi '99 explained that this second factor caused the apparent disparity between different groups. CAB receieved almost all the funding it asked for because, "CAB signs contracts with different performers months ahead of time, and absolutely have to pay those bills," Fantauzzi said. "CAB is almost an exception. We really look at them differently than other groups."

Yet, for some disgruntled

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Dana presides over Hamilton

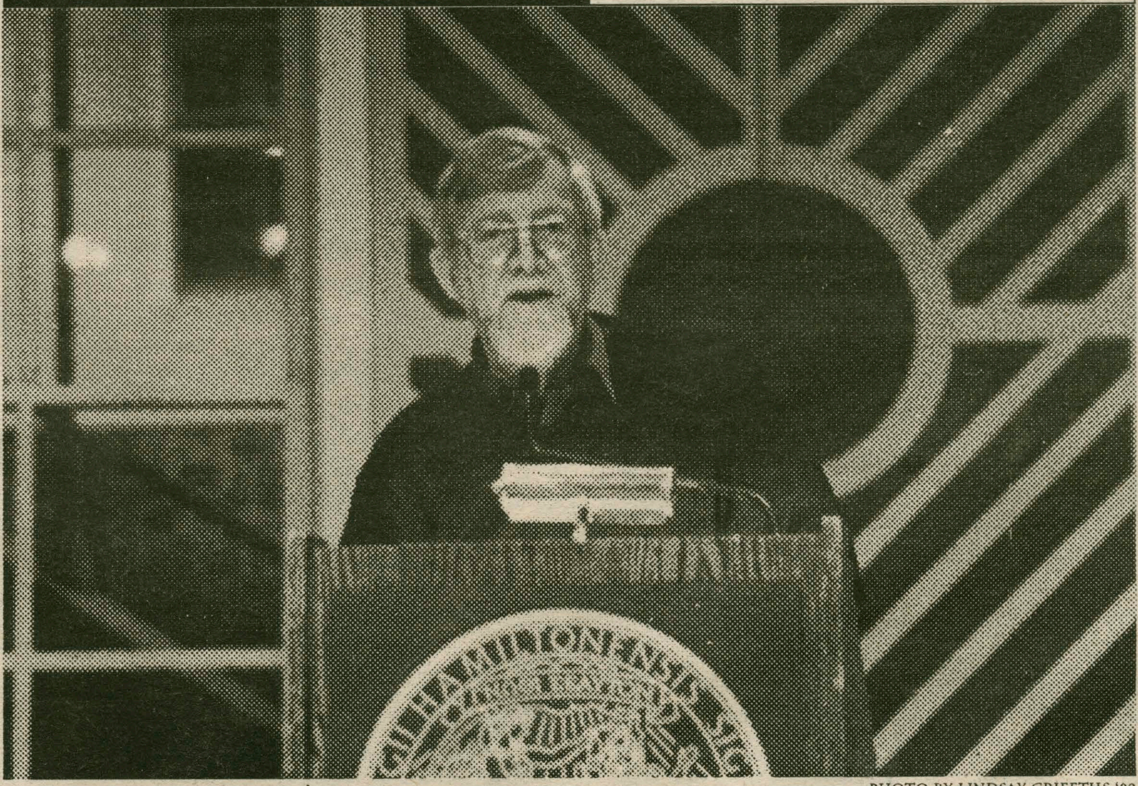

PHOTO BY LINDSAY GRIFFTHS '02

"It was oddly sad leaving Beineke Wednesday night. Robert Dana had touched many students and faculty alike."

Co-op to stay in Keehn, despite rumors

by Craig Breismeister '00
NEWS WRITER

The ugly hydra of rumor reared its head through the Keehn Cooperative during its weekly meeting on Monday the 15th of this month. The rumor, that the cooperative was in danger of losing its home in the Keehn dorm created angst among the residents.

This rumor, as it turns out, is not true; however, it is thet time of year when Residential Life and the five member, student run Residence Hall Council begin to ponder the options for next year's housing. When RHC realized that the Keehn Cooperative members filled just 33 of the 52 total beds in Keehn dorm, they suggested the possibility of moving the Co-op to another building. The misconstrued rumor gave residents of the Co-op a wake-up call indicating that the Co-op must start actively recruiting new members for the 1999 fall semester.

"I don't know how this rumor started," said Rebecca Reed Kantrowitz, Director of Residential Life, realizing how dangerous rampant rumors can be in a small community like Hamilton.

The opposite of the rumor is true regarding the Res Life and Keehn Co-op relationship; in fact, "Residential Life has made a strong commitment to improving the Co-op, both in terms of helping Keehn to attract more members and improving its facilities. It is something that I have wanted to do for a long time," said Kantrowitz.

Backing her strong endorsement of the cooperative, Kantrowitz mentioned that plans are in the works to spend $100,000, an optimistic estimate, to renovate Keehn's kitchen over the summer. If all goes according to plan, residents next fall will be welcomed back with a new kitchen that adheres to Department of Health and Safety standards.

"The designs for the remodeled kitchen were created through a collaborative effort between Keehn residents and Res Life," says Christine Shuster, Co-op member and RA in Keehn.

Plans and estimates have been drawn up for the new kitchen and will be submitted first to the Hamilton's Physical Plant director to gauge the feasibility of the proposed kitchen. The plans will then go for the final okay to the College's Vice President of Finance Daniel O'Leary.

Res Life's commitment to improving Keehn and the proposed remodeling of the kitchen makes it all the more crucial that The Co-op doubles its efforts to make Keehn an attractive option for Hamiltonians. In fact, the rumor that caused a mild panic among residents of Keehn, "was said because we were just trying to encourage Keehn to recruit more" said Kim Kiernan, an executive member of the RHC.

The Co-op is currently executing an extensive recruiting campaign by actively inviting people to their already open-to-all dinners. They are publishing their menu in the Daily Bull and they extend an invitation to any one who might be interested in joining "one of the tightest knit communities on campus," according to Kantrowitz.

The Co-op is also setting up a program to have world famous chefs from the Moosewood Restaurant come and teach students how to cook vegetarian meals, followed by a feast.

The general opinion in Keehn is that the outside stereotype Keehn has as a haven for all the freaks on campus contributed to the low number of occupants this year. While the stereotype of being filled with artists and

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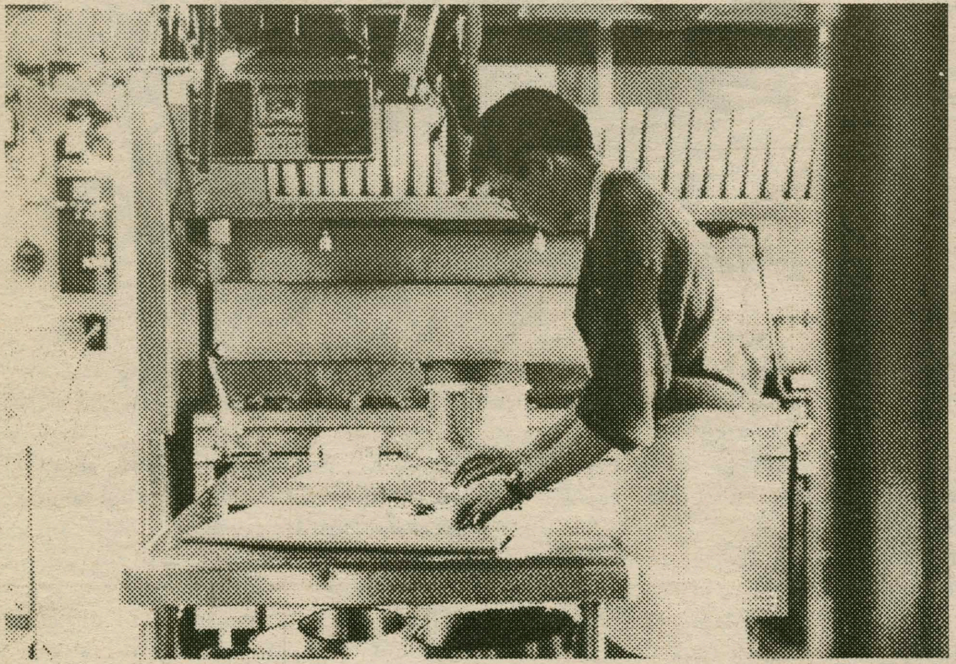

PHOTO BY LIZ HOLDEN '02

A Keehn resident prepares dinner for his hallmates: the students share cooking, cleaning and serving responsibilities.

Robinson addresses global stuggle for justice

by Lisa Widowski '01
NEWS WRITER

Public interest lawyer and Trans Africa founder Randall Robinson spoke Wednesday evening in the Chapel, as part of the Cultural Awareness Series sponsored by the Levitt Center and the Black and Latin Student Union. Robinson's talk was entitled, "The Emerging Cultures of Africa, Cuba, and the Caribbean."

Following introductions by Government Professor Phillip Klinkner, Levitt Center director, and Ruth Gardner Woods '99, President of BLSU, Robinson discussed the global struggle for justice and equality. He pointed out how "globally illiterate" we are as a society, in that we don't know what is going on in the world. Robinson went on to illustrate how Americans, in their attempt to praise democracy, have imposed their beliefs on other nations. He discussed how our "invincible superiority" causes us to lie to ourselves as a nation, and that we do not effectively question the ways in which American policy has manifested itself throughout the world.

Robinson also praised the importance of

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King sentenced to die

AP Wire

JASPER, Texas (AP) - Smirking and cursing his victim's family as he was led away, white supremacist John William King went to death row Thursday for chaining a black man to a pickup truck and dragging him to pieces.

Eleven white jurors and their elected black foreman took less than three hours to sentence King to lethal injection rather than life in prison, taking about the same amount of time they needed to convict him Tuesday of murdering James Byrd Jr.

The savage killing - one of the grisliest racial crimes since the civil rights era - shocked the nation and horrified residents of Jasper, a timber town of 8,000 people about 100 miles northeast of Houston.

King becomes the first white sent to death row in Texas for killing a black person since capital punishment resumed in the 1970s. Texas has executed only one white person for killing a black - in 1854.

"For once, I'm proud to be from Jasper. For once, justice has been served in Jasper," said Ethel Parks, a black woman wearing a T-shirt with a picture of Byrd beneath the words, "Love, Peace and Harmony."

When asked if he had anything to say to Byrd's family, King said "Yeah" and muttered an obscenity.

Through his attorney, King released a statement.

"Though I remain adamant about my innocence, it's been obvious from the beginning that this community would get what they desire; so I'll close with the words of Francis Yockey. 'The promise of success is with the man who is determined to die proudly when it is no longer possible to live proudly.'"

Yockey, who died in 1960, was an author of Nazi doctrine.

"By giving Mr. King a life sentence, you're giving him at least 40 years to catch a black guard, a black nurse, a black doctor, a Jewish guard, a Jewish nurse, a Jewish doctor, or anybody else," prosecutor Pat Hardy said.

The jury rejected a tearful plea for mercy from King's father, Ronald.

Afterward, jurors said they felt they had no choice but the death penalty for King, who prosecutors say carried out the crime because he wanted to do something "big" to establish credibility for a racist gang he was organizing.

"We looked for ways to not have to do what we did today, and they were not there," juror Lequeta Flowers said. "You just can't have this. Society cannot accept this."

The conviction and sentence will be automatically appealed. It could take six or seven years for his appeals to run out and the execution to take place.

Byrd, 49, was killed June 7 after he was given a lift while walking home from a party. Prosecutors said King and two other men beat him, attached him by the ankles to a pickup truck with a 24 1/2 -foot logging chain and dragged him nearly three miles.

PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01

Hamilton's Heart Run and Walk team will raise thousands of dollars for the American Heart Association this Saturday.

In Remembrance Group aids students with website project

by Alex Peltz '01
SPECIAL TO THE SPECTATOR

The In Remembrance Project is a student created and directed organization on campus to help students during times of physical or emotional stress. It is primarily Internet-based and addresses grief and loss, including issues of depression and mental illness, rape (focusing on prevention), college suicide, eating disorders and body image.

Now in its third semester, The In Remembrance Project has compiled an amazing list of contributing authors, including world-renown doctors, and New York Times best-selling authors who have chosen to write for the Project concerning issues in their given fields. With these articles as its base, the Project is dedicated to bringing a wealth of concentrated, credible information to students seeking answers to questions for themselves and for their friends, 24 hours a day.

The mission of the Project is to provide a private, informational support center to students, in the hopes that they will have a better chance of academic, physical and emotional survival. Project members say that they want to keep college the best time of theirs and their classmates lives.

Elliott Silverman '99, the founding member, has worked extremely hard toward the goal of bringing this project to colleges not only around the United States, but around the world. He is currently in contact with colleges in Ireland and England and is hoping, with funding and further support, to have the website translated into several different languages, further extending the network of information and student help.

More local goals include inviting 200 colleges by the year 2000 to stand behind the project and carry a link to The In Remembrance site on their home page. These objectives can only be accomplished with help from students at Hamilton.

Members encourage you to visit the site at www.inremembrance.org and e-mail us with thoughts and ideas at remember@hamilton.edu.

SA Spring budget receives mixed reviews from clubs

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groups, this was an inadequate explanation.

In the end, the Student Assembly allocated a total of $102,954.90 to the various organizations. In the funding report the assembly acknowledged that they had to reduce many of the proposed budgets in lieu of the total requested amount of $169,661.88.

"They don't see the importance of having our type of dance on campus," Veronica Allen '01, a member of Cultural Blend Dance Troupe, said. "This dance troupe is unlike anything else at Hamilton. We are promoting our culture, the Afro- Caribbean culture, in a way that people have not seen before, and [in response to the funding results] that seems to be unimportant."

Cultural Blend asked the committee for $1,945 and received $240.

Ryan Miller '99, expressed her disappointment in the amount that the Anthropology Club received. As president of a fledging club, she conceded that she understood why theyrecived so little in comparison to an organization like CAB which caters to the entire student body by playing an integral role in student life. CAB asked for $65,469 and received $62, 069. The Anthropology Club asked for $1,675 and received $345 of the requested amount.

"It's just a little discouraging for people who want to start new clubs," Miller said. "It would have been good to be able to get speakers and expose people to something totally different."

Gayett, who is president of the fairly new Paintball Club, was pleased with the amount allotted to his group.

"We definitely have enough to operate, even though we can't provide exactly what we wanted to in terms of free paintball for anyone on weekends," he said.

For some clubs like the Foreign Film Society, there is little room for the Student Assembly to cut money as There is a non-negotiable charge on the films from the distributor company. The Samuel Kirkland Film Society operates in much the same way.

Other clubs had absolutely no qualms with the way that the funds were distributed. The Middle Eastern Union was pleased with the amount that they were given because th they now only have to raise four hundred dollars themselves for Arabian Nights. The Union was only allotted ten dollars last semester because, as member Saadia Lababidi '01 stated, "We didn't have exact prices and they didn't think that it was concrete enough."

Though Lababidi was pleased with the money given to the Middle Eastern Union, she did acknowledge that there was some dissent among other clubs. The International Student Association asked for $1,993 but was allotted only $ 260.

"For them to only get $260 was quite a shock," Lababidi mused. "They are very organized. I was even shocked."

The bottom line, according to Spangler, is that baseline funding to Student Aseembly has not increased signifigantly in several years, but the number of campus organizations has.

"99% of the stuff that was proposed is fabulous," he said. "We would love to fund everyone to the fullest, but money is limited. The budget clearly reflects the need for more money, as we just don't have enough to fund all groups."

Members of the Student Assembly plan to speak to College trustees at their meeting the first weekend in March about organization funding. According to Spangler, the SA hopes that their overall budget will be increased so that campus organizations can continue to grow and offer new and different programming to students.

SUPORT THE FRESH AIR FUND

Keehn kitchen to get facelift

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druggies hinders the Co-op's chances of filling all their spaces, it also liberates students from social constrictions of the over-the-counter culture of mainstream Hamilton. In the words of one Keehn alum, the Co-op is, "the intellectual center of Hamilton."

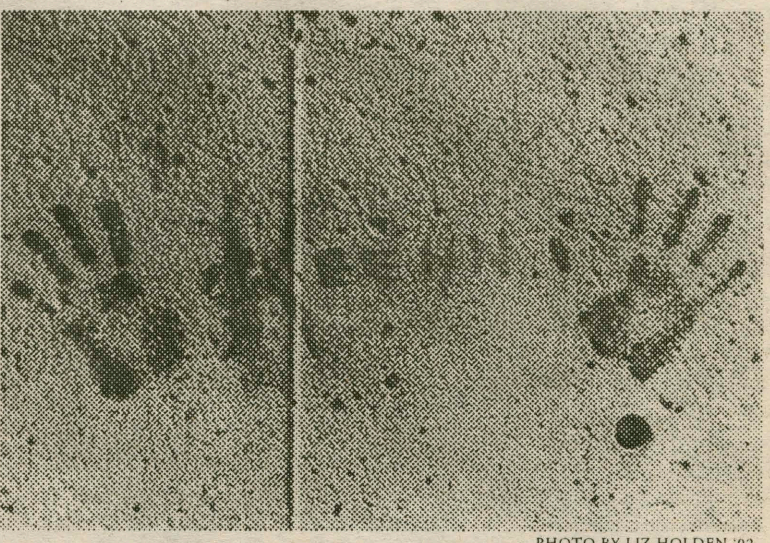


PHOTO BY LIZ HOLDEN '02

The student run Keehn Co-op has suffered from decreasing interest lately, despite current resident satisfaction and tasty home-cookin'.

Tosuport that claim, Keehn currently has the fourth highest residence hall G.P.A. on campus, according to Res Life.

Keehn offers potential residents a unique opportunity to live in a cooperative dorm. The student-residents operate the full kitchen which provides them with primaraly though not exclusively vegetarian dinners. Meat dinners twice a month and the famous Thanksgiving feast generally satisfies residents' cravings for meat.

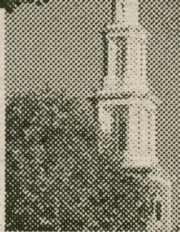
Co-op students are required to share in the responsibilities of preparing such meals and in turn are given equal voice on the operation and governance of the Co-op.

The result is a rare blend of direct participatory democracy in a non-hierarchical structure. Residents also feel that its proximity to the Glen, Cafe Opus and the List art building makes the Keehn Co-op a desirable place to live.

IVORY TOWERS

THE NEWS AT COLLEGES ACROSS THE LAND

Compiled By Cristen Sargent '01



Students march to commemorate 1st U Alabama black students

(U-WIRE) TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Wednesday, they march to the door where George Wallace stood.

During the first annual "March Back to the Schoolhouse Door," faculty, administrators and students will walk from the Ferguson Center to Foster Auditorium as part of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority's "Week of Black Heritage."

The march will not only commemorate Vivian Malone and James Hood's triumphant walk through the door of Foster Auditorium in 1963, but also Autherine Lucy's first day of class at the University on Feb. 3, 1956.

Alpha Kappa Alpha invited all student organizations on campus, as well as around 35 faculty members, including President Sorensen, to attend. Brown expects around 200 participants.

"The administration has been very supportive of the program," Brown said.

"Whenever people think of Foster Auditorium or the University, they see George Wallace standing in the schoolhouse door," Brown said. "The blacks who go to school here are examples. We know the door is open to all who are willing to walk through it."

Brown hopes to turn the negative racist image into a positive one.

"We are here, and we are examples that Wallace was wrong," Brown said.

The march is part of a week-long celebration of black heritage and pride.

Thatcher recounts experiences at Baylor U.

(U-WIRE) WACO, Texas — Looking to the past and learning from mistakes are vital to ensuring a successful future, former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher told Baylor students and members of the Waco community Tuesday.

"I hope we can profit from our experiences from the past to avoid occurrences and problems in the future," Thatcher said.

Thatcher delivered a speech titled "Challenges Facing the 21st Century" at 7 p.m. in the Ferrell Special Events Center.

Approximately 5,000 people attended the event, at which Thatcher addressed issues such as scientific advances, human nature, communism and the protection of liberty.

Thatcher said two of the biggest problems society will face in the 21st century will be crime and the decline of the family.

"The family is the unit of society," Thatcher said. "One-third of children born this year are not born into a traditional family and will not have the birthright of being brought up with both a mother and a father."

Thatcher did not clearly state what consequences could occur from being raised in a non-traditional family.

Although challenges for the future remain, this has been a remarkable century, Thatcher said. Many factors, including colossal scientific advances and the decline of communism and fascism, have contributed to the success of the 20th century, but liberty and freedom must be protected and spread throughout the rest of the world.

Toilet malfunction forces Yale U. library to close early

(U-WIRE) NEW HAVEN, Conn. — A sewage system malfunction at Cross Campus Library last night disrupted more than just the study habits of 300 students cramming for mid-terms.

Library officials closed CCL two hours early because of the malfunction. By midnight the bathrooms had been barricaded for more than 50 minutes, and students had to make some tough decisions.

"We were forced to make a makeshift bathroom in a weenie-bin using a two-liter bottle," Ben Barnett '02 said.

Nustone Industries, Inc. was called at 11 p.m. last night to fix "a regular clog" in the library's main sewage pump.

George Reed, the library's security attendant said CCL "will be running back in operation" today.

Students expressed frustration at the interruption.

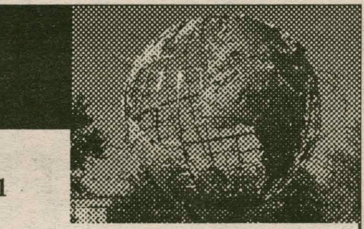
"Frankly, I was shocked," Pete Mazza '01 said.

Others questioned the necessity of closing the popular study spot two hours early.

" The bathroom's closed, so they're kicking us all out because they think we'll pee in a corner, or something," Leigh Spielberg'01 said."

A Nustone Industry supervisor said it was illegal to keep a public facility open without a bathroom.

WORLD NEWS



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Fighting breaks out in Kosovo

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) - Explosions and the crackle of gunfire broke out Thursday between Yugoslav army forces and Kosovo rebels in defiance of Western warnings that they hold to a cease-fire during the 2 1/2 -week suspension in peace talks.

German Gen. Klaus Naumann, head of NATO's panel of military planners, expressed concern over the fighting as well as what he called a "significant" buildup of Yugoslav forces in and near Kosovo.

The situation in Kosovo, the ethnic Albanian-majority province in southern Serbia where more than 2,000 people have died in fighting the past year, is "more than tense. It's almost a powder keg," Naumann said Thursday.

The blasts and small-arms fire Thursday erupted from Bukos, 20 miles northwest of the provincial capital of Pristina, where Serb tanks and mortars were targeting separatist Kosovo Liberation Army positions near the village.

Clashes in the same area on Tuesday, the day the peace talks ended, left one Serb civilian dead and five Serb policemen wounded, and monitors with the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe reported that at least 15 Yugoslav tanks had massed in the region.

Under the circumstances, it is "absolutely necessary that military pressure is kept up" and that NATO maintain the option to stage airstrikes against the Serbs, Naumann said.

Clinton asked to condemn China

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Senate urged the Clinton administration to sponsor a resolution condemning China for human rights abuses when the U.N. Human Rights Commission meets next month in Geneva.

Sponsors of the measure said Thursday's 99-0 vote, although not legally binding, would send a powerful message to the Beijing government as well as to democracy advocates in China in advance of Secretary of State Madeleine Albright's visit next week.

"The arrested dissidents and their courageous supporters deserve our full backing in their historic struggle to bring democracy to China," said Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., a sponsor of the measure. President Clinton ignored a similar resolution passed by Congress last year.

The administration had pushed human-rights condemnations of China at past Geneva sessions but declined to do so in 1998 because Clinton was then planning a visit to China.

But since that trip last July, and despite Beijing's promises to exhibit more tolerance, China's communist leaders "have intensified their crackdown," said Sen. Tim Hutchinson, R-Ark. "The pattern of abuse is clear." "It's important for our secretary of state to have that message when she goes to China," Hutchinson said.

Guatemala Army blamed for massacre

GUATEMALA CITY (AP) - The Guatemalan army is responsible for the vast majority of the more than 200,000 deaths and disappearances in the country's 36-year civil war, an official truth commission declared Thursday.

Its long-awaited report, based on the testimony of 9,200 people from all sides in the conflict, was Guatemala's first step in bringing reconciliation to a country split since a U.S.-backed coup put rightists in power in 1954.

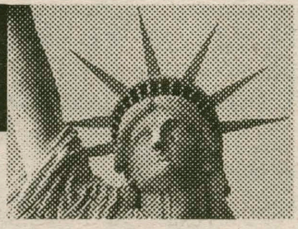
The commission has no power to bring those responsible for the killings to trial or impose sanctions. But the report recommends that the government begin a formal investigation into the army's actions and remove any military officers found to have participated in the killings.

"Killers, killers! We want justice," protesters shouted at army officers, including Defense Minister Gen. Hector Barrios Celada, as they entered Guatemala City's National Theater to hear the report. Barrios Celada refused to comment on it.

Inside, farmers and union groups unfurled huge banners that read "We have not forgotten" and "Never again."

Of the 42,000 deaths investigated in the report, the army was found to be responsible for 93 percent. Three percent were the work of the leftist Guatemalan National Revolutionary Unity, and 4 percent were unresolved. The report found that 29,000 of the investigated deaths involved summary executions.

NATIONAL NEWS



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Winter storm slams New England

BOSTON (AP) - Schools and businesses shut down and thousands of flights were canceled Thursday as a Nor'easter dumped heavy snow across coastal New England.

Plows couldn't keep up on Cape Cod and the coast south of Boston as the storm dumped 16 inches on West Dennis. In Portland, Maine, 8 inches had fallen by early evening.

The snow began falling early Thursday in New England, bursting inland from the Atlantic Ocean before dawn. By nightfall, snow was falling in New York City and its suburbs, though forecasters did not expect much accumulation.

Several thousand homes lost power on Cape Cod and Nantucket on Thursday night. The Red Cross set up emergency shelters on the Cape. Ferry service was canceled to Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard, where a state of emergency was declared.

At Logan International Airport in Boston, more than half the flights were canceled, though few of the 35,000 travelers affected were stranded because of advance notice, airport spokesman Phil Orlandella said.

The speed limit on the entire Maine Turnpike was lowered to 45 mph. Massachusetts officials reported dozens of minor accidents.

Still, some welcomed the snow.

"It's beautiful, light, pretty. It slows everything down," said Christine Soltys on the train platform in Swampscott. "Everyone moves too fast. Life needs to slow down a little bit."

House panel backs missile defense

WASHINGTON (AP) - A House committee overwhelmingly approved legislation Thursday that declared a national goal to deploy a countrywide defense system against ballistic missiles but did not set a timetable to do it.

The House Armed Services Committee approved the measure, introduced by Reps. Curt Weldon, R-Pa., and John Spratt, D-S.C., by an 50-3 margin.

President Clinton has included money in his fiscal 1999 budget for beginning construction on such a system but has delayed until June 2000 a decision on whether to go ahead.

"I am encouraged by the administration's announcement that an additional $6.6 billion has been identified for a national missile defense that might be deployed. But I am concerned that the administration has not committed to deploying this system," Weldon said.

Such a system, to protect against incoming nuclear missiles, has long been a favored project of congressional Republicans since then-President Reagan proposed a space-based shield against incoming missiles in the early 1980s.

Last year's firing of a ballistic missile by North Korea, and reports of weapons programs in Iran and Iraq, has drawn Democratic support to the program as well.

The committee vote "represents an important step in the debate over defending the American people against the threat of ballistic missile attack," said the committee chairman, Floyd D. Spence, R-S.C.

Spence said the vote's margin "reflects the committee's strong bipartisan belief that all Americans deserve to be protected against the growing threat of ballistic missile attack."

Satanic suspect confesses to arsons

UNCIE, Ind. (AP) - As many as 50 church fires in the Midwest and South over the past five years may have been solved all at once with the arrest of a man fascinated with the satanic.

Paramedics became suspicious of Jay Scott Ballinger, 36, because he waited two days before seeking treatment for severe burns he claimed to have suffered in a bonfire.

A Ball State University police officer, acting on a hunch, questioned him. Finally, last weekend, Ballinger admitted to federal authorities that he burned 30 to 50 churches in 11 states between1994 and 1998.

So far, agents have connected Ballinger to close to 20 arsons, and he has been charged in seven of them, all involving rural churches in Indiana.

Agents said they aren't certain of a motive, but Ballinger's interest in the occult is clear.

Ballinger's stripper girlfriend and another man have admitted taking part in burning an Indiana church where they painted an upside-down cross on the steps as part of a satanic ritual.

All three suspects are white. Some of the dozens of churches were predominantly white, and others were black. Pat Donovan, an agent of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, said he is unsure whether any of the fires were under investigation by the government task force established in 1996 after a series of fires at black churches in the South.

Women's History Month Spotlight: Julie Diehl

Former basketball standout makes a name for herself as women's coach

by Brenna Chiaputti '02
NEWS WRITER

Julie Diehl is a recognizable name to many on the Hamilton campus. Some may know her as the assistant women's volleyball coach, others as the women's varsity basketball coach, some as an Adirondack Adventure leader, some as a record holder, and others still as simply, "that good-looking big girl" walking around campus. However one may know her, everyone agrees that Diehl has made significant contributions to the Hamilton sports community as both a coach and player.

With two parents in the Air Force, Diehl moved around quite a bit as a child. At the age of four she found herself in Rome, NY, and spent the next fourteen years of her life there. Diehl attended Rome Free Academy and started off her athletic career as, yes, it's a shocker, a swimmer. It was not until tenth grade that she became involved in basketball, a sport she would get to know well over the years to come.

After graduating from Rome Free Academy, Diehl made her debut on the Hamilton campus with short-lived ambitions of going into law. After a year of playing Hamilton hoops on the women's varsity team, Diehl decided that coaching was in the cards for her. From then on she pursued a degree in anthropology hoping to gear it towards a career in athletics.

Diehl was a powerful force on the basketball court during her career as a Continental. She holds records as both the all-time leading scorer and rebounder for women's hoops. Diehl also broke the shot put record for Track and Field her freshmen year.

Diehl says that her involvement in sports has played a large role in helping her discover who she is.

"You develop your self worth as you get older," she said. "Not everybody has that going into college. Sports help build that confidence and sense of self worth that can carry over into other areas of your life."

After graduating from Hamilton in 1993, Diehl accepted a job as an assistant physical education teacher at Indiana University. She also received a scholarship through which she pursued her master degree in Sports Marketing and Management. With no definite plans in mind, Diehl then headed back to her alma mater to be an intern for a year while completing her Masters degree.

She left Hamilton again to coach one year of women's basketball at Rochester Institute of Technology and two more at West Point. Diehl was offered a position as head coach at Hamilton last year, and she seized the opportunity.

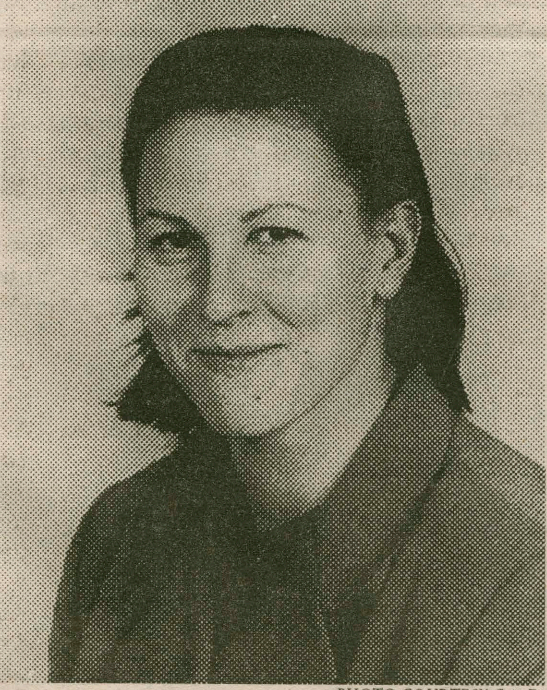

PHOTO COURTESY C & D

Record-breaking basketball player Julie Diehl is now heading the Women's program. She was recommended as a "Womens History Month Spotlight" by Support Service Counselor Tom Royal.

In her first year here Julie Diehl served as the head Women's Volleyball coach and worked side by side with her former coach Don Crist, as Co-Head coach of the Women's Basketball team. She is now Assistant Women's Volleyball coach and head coach of the Women's Basketball program. She is assisted by Johnny " be good" Hayes. In her second year here Diehl is committed to building a strong program.

"With four starters as freshmen I see a lot of potential in the program," said Diehl.

Although Hamilton has only two wins on the season, Diehl has high goals set for herself and for the women's basketball program.

" I would like to win a National Championship," said Diehl, "Many people don't want to verbalize big goals, but verbalizing them makes them more real and then you can commit to them. If you have kids with the drive, the work ethic, and the commitment to those goals then you can make it happen."

Diehl's players have confidence that she has what it takes to accomplish her goals.

"Diehl is a great recruiter and knows what she wants to get done on the floor. She can definitely lead a team to be successful," said senior co-captain Jen Moran.

Diehl has no plans set in stone for the future, although in twenty years, she hopes to find herself, still coaching, married, with two or three kids.

Lecture addresses justice, equality

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history, saying that "history is more than an idle enterprise; you don't know who you are if you don't know what your history is."

He highlighted the fact that African Americans, in particular, suffer in ways that are almost unfathomable, due to the distortion and mistelling of their history.

Gardner-Woods felt that his talk was important in terms of his discussion about ignorance and the role that America plays in the world, of which many Americans are unaware. She believes that Americans, and especially Hamilton students "need a global mentality."

Keithley Woodward '01 praised Robinson for "making clear the connections between U.S. foreign policy, and its manifestations in the world," as well as for "highlighting the global perspective."

"For people majoring in government, or international affairs, this is a great place to start, since Robinson is on the forefront of what's happening," Woodward said.

Both Woodward and Amanda Sackey '01, felt it "unfortunate that more people weren't at the lecture."

Sackey further stated, it doesn't matter if they are Latinos, white, or African American, everyone can come away with a clearer understanding of the implications of America's pervading influence in the world.

The Cultural Awareness Series began on February 6, with a play, "The Meeting." Himilce Novas is scheduled to speak on March 4, and will be joined by several professors to discuss their feelings on bilingualism in the United States. The series continues on April 1, when reporter and activist Felipe Luciano will share a Latino perspective on issues such as culture and race and on April 28, Michael Eric Dyson will discuss his take on the concept of race rules. This series was founded as a way to foster cultural awareness within the Hamilton community.

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Life off the Hill: living it up in various Euro-hot spots

One morning last winter at Hamilton College I awoke and looked in the mirror, but did not recognize the face that stared back at me. The eyes on that face, first of all, the eyes scared me. They were the suspicious eyes of an old man who has worried himself out of caring about anything at all. They were lost - glazy and bloodshot, and each rested over a dark shadow that hollowed out the top of the cheek. The cheek! Each was pale, the color of life having been sucked from them both.

But no, this couldn't be a dead man that looked at me. His face was far too fat. It was covered by a voracious set of chops fighting for control of his cubby noggin. Thick black hair resembling ratty clumps of knotted wool, which probably housed a small village of insects, fell down to the back of his shoulders. I rubbed my eyes and looked again. I could not believe what I saw. That morning last winter, I looked into the mirror and did not even recognize my own reflection.

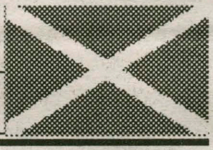
Now to accuse Hamilton of creating this strange monster that I saw before me would be totally ignorant. However, to say a man is not affected by his environment would be equally ignorant. When I saw myself that day chills ran up and down my spine. I could not have been more shocked had I grabbed a fork and shoved it deep into an electrical outlet. I definitely needed a change. That day I began inquiring about studying abroad.

My search led me to Edinburgh, Scotland, where I presently go to school. Simply being in Scotland has changed my outlook on life. Next month I will be on break, traveling throughout Europe with some friends I've made out here. We'll begin in Amsterdam, freshening up on some art history and horticulture.

From there, we're off to Chamonix, nestled in the French Alps and home to the

NATE DELOIS

From Abroad



first modern winter Olympics. For a week we will ski the 200 kilometers Chamonix has to offer, at night masquerading as Aspen ski instructors and hitting on the locals.

Then our trip will take us to Italy. Traveling from Venice to Florence to Rome, we'll hang out on liquid streets, see the heart of the Renaissance, and visit the capital of the great Roman Empire, finding room for some fine food and an occasional glass or two of vino along the way. We will see the new-age city of Barcelona. Ibiza, the party capital of the world, will be a nice way to begin rounding out our journey.

A few more days in southern Spain followed by a train back through Madrid and Paris (yes, through Madrid and Paris), and back to Amsterdam for one more uncensored night of freedom. Then we'll find ourselves on a ferry back to Newcastle and the final 5 weeks before exams in Edinburgh.

Spending a semester, or even a year abroad, offers students a taste of the world. More valuable than a few transferable credits, students are given the opportunity to immerse themselves in a foreign culture and learn about that nation through interacting with different people and absorbing their unique perspectives.

Studying abroad has also offered me the opportunity of looking back on home from a distance. It has given me the fresh eyes to see what I used to take for granted everyday. My appreciation for home has intensified greatly since traveling to Edinburgh.

I realize that I am a red-blooded American. I never knew how intensely wrapped up in our culture I am... and I definitely never realized how great that is. Barbecues, Budweiser, and Sunday afternoon football - I would not trade them for anything in the world.

Aside from reinventing my American self, I have also noticed this strange feeling that has been creeping over me lately: I miss Hamilton. I cannot wait to go back to campus as a senior, with the energy and enthusiasm of a freshman. Sure, Hamilton can get repetitive, dull, suffocating, and intoxicating. It can even help turn fit, motivated people into self-absorbed, complacent zombies like the one described above.

But it is the school I go to, and I love it. I love the people, the small classrooms, and the professors who make me go to class, harass me and put me on the spot, encourage independent thought, and actually care about the work of their students. I love the beautiful fall weather, the snow in the winter, and the smell of spring at the start of baseball season. I can't wait to go back. There is one overwhelming reason, above all the others, for this Hamilton sentimentality: I LOVE COMMONS. Well, I don't miss everything...

In conclusion, I think everyone should study abroad and, likewise, I believe everyone should receive the chance to study abroad. The new grade requirements to study in a foreign country have become so strict that they exclude much of the Hamilton community. The irony here is the people that are excluded are the very people that the Hamilton College curriculum is not reaching. Rather than waste another valuable year, they ought to be allowed a chance at redemption, like I was. Traveling abroad to a foreign country is a healthy learning experience that cannot be duplicated by a classroom discussion. Especially in a classroom that no one wants to be in.

Who put the bop in the bop-she-bop-she-bop? Nixon.

Before I really start ranting, I want to make one thing clear. Some people do like Beiniekie. They do. These are the same people who like Mr. Pibb. Personally, I don't like Mr. Pibb, or Bieneke. You know what? I try hard to like that yellow monstrosity. I really do. But I just can't bring myself to like it. I know, it is supposedly the building that unifies the campus. When I was a freshman, I heard seniors reminisce of North Court being the mail center. And I think the mail center is probably the one thing about Binecky that is set up and run decently.

The old student center, Bristol, used to have a bowling alley in the basement. Before CAB and student assembly decided they needed half a floor to book us bands

BENNY ZOLL

They Call Him

like, well, you know, that guy you heard coming from the the library on Thursday night. Personally, I would be willing to sacrifice both CAB and Student Assembly to get that Bowling Alley back. Instead, though, we get Biennekie, the building that integrates the odd colors and confusing floor plans of the Dark Side with some sort of intangible aspect of the Light Side.

The triangle shaped room with the glass cube wall that you can't see through is the most useless part of Byniki. For one, there is a confusing mob of students running into each other in a desperate attempt to leap into Martin's way while others squeeze past them in an attempt to fit 150 people through a single door at a time. Nothing unifies a student body like frustrating pedestrian traffic.

If there is one thing that humans have gotten pretty good at, it's figuring out how people walk. Most of the time, the best way to walk is to go directly from point A to point B. That's why, generally speaking, you wouldn't have a single door into a building like Bieneikeie, the point B for any student who wants to check their mail or use the one ATM on campus. The architect actually got that part right, he just forgot to tell the school that the best way for students to use doors is for them to be unlocked.

The Events Barn is another place I just can't like. Some buildings can pull off not having square walls. The Taj Mahal, for one. Or the Pantheon. And maybe old Cleveland Municipal Stadium. But not this events barn. For one thing, the only way to get into the events barn is to walk through the "Sun" Porch (the rumor is once a week you can see the sun). This comfortable area with eight chairs is sure to make for a favorite hangout for you and seven friends. Unless you want to hang out with more than 7 people, in which case you can hang in the "matinee" room where lit-up billboards inform you about every "in-your-face" Gen X comedian that has been here since 1995. I think there's still a poster from the 94 Parliament show up there somewhere, and that concert was in the Fieldhouse.

Why this hatred for a relatively harmless silo? Because you can't have a good time in the Barn. It's a law of physics. People only have fun in small groups and in big groups. In a small group, you know everyone, and in a big group, you can get away with spilling beers on people you don't like and make it look like an accident. Actually, one time I saw a guy pour a beer all over a girl on purpose, and despite her initial anger, she went home with him a few minutes later. Several of my friends remember most of that episode. But did that happen in Beineche? No. Because you can't pick up anyone unless they're drunk. At least I can't.

What it boils down to is that Bienekkie is not fun in any of the ways that it's supposed to be. What is fun about it is things like hiding under the bridge late on Saturday and pretending that you are a troll. Speaking of which, any person that has done that might have noticed that there is a strange cage door underneath Martin's way leading into the "bowels of Beinekie." It looks suspiciously like some sort of gladiator arena entrance. I don't think it leads to a bowling alley.

Instead of putting up that new social space (which will use the same displaced bathroom that Diner patrons use frequently), we should build an outdoor coliseum, where freshmen can stage money-raising events. I'd pay money to see a freshman take on an alligator from the biology department. Plus, if the Oneidas take us over we can institute gambling.

If you are one of those few people who opposes organized fighting between freshman and large reptiles and mammals, then stop writing me letters! Everyone is entitled to his or her opinion, even if that opinion calls for bloody death sports. If you are one of those people who love Bineckie, please tell everyone how to spell it.

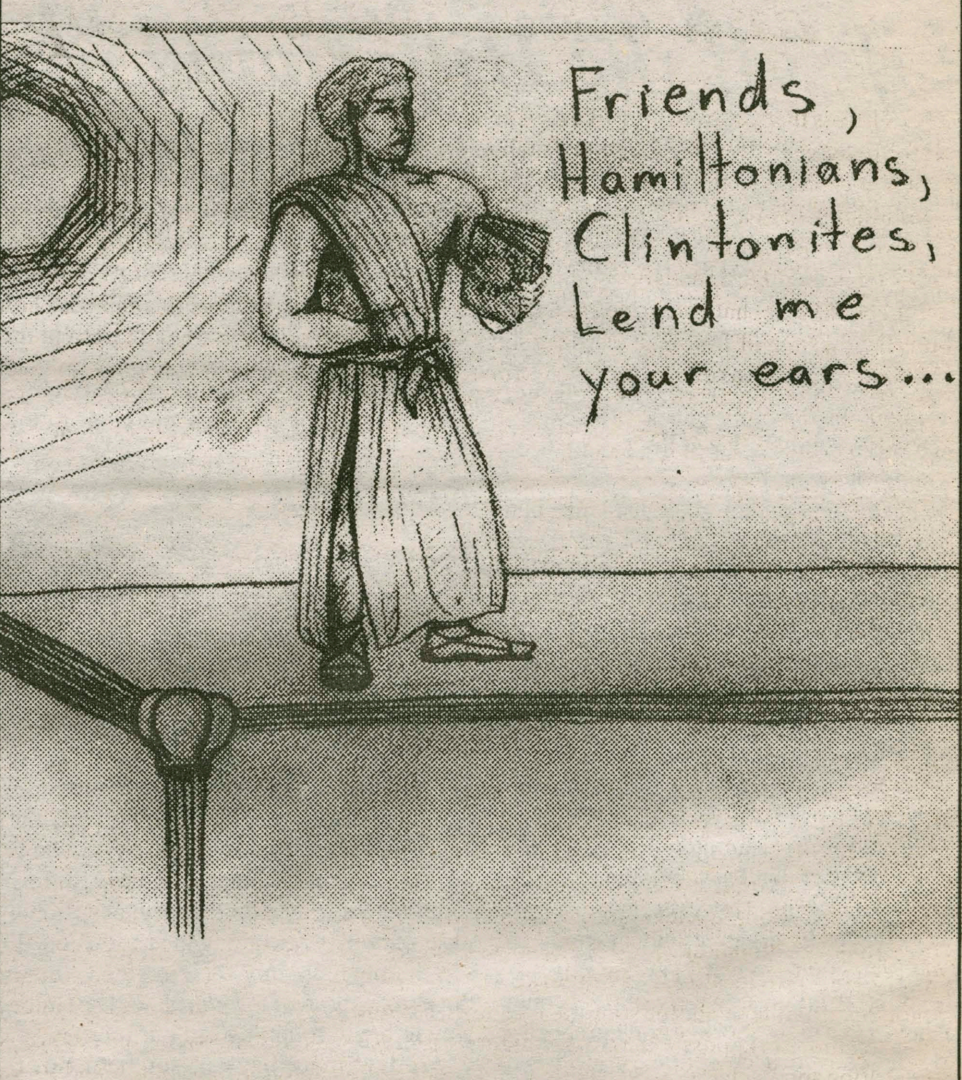
Editorial

An article in this week's news section reported that certain groups on campus were dissatisfied with the levels of funding that they received from Student Assembly. In general, students feel that they don't have adequate input into the decisions made on their behalf by student government. This is not the fault of those who represent us within the present system, because they are carrying out their duties to the specifications that are set forth by the Assembly's Constitution. What we need is far more than a change in the behavior of our representatives; we must consider revamping the manner in which students impart their opinions to those representatives.

At this fall's Adler Conference, students suggested that town meetings could be held regularly for the entire campus. The Adler Conference itself was a town meeting of sorts, bringing together students, faculty and administrators to discuss the topic of community at Hamilton. The success of the Conference indicates that a similar format could be employed on a regular basis to give everyone at our college a forum to voice their ideas to the student government. In small New England towns with one or two thousand citizens, annual town meetings have long been an effective means of dealing with town business. On a campus with approximately sixteen hundred students, and perhaps around a thousand employees, town meetings would be an efficient and interesting way to allow for all views to be expressed.

The system that we envision would combine the current Student Assembly, CCC, CAB and other organs of Student Government into one body. This body, which might be called the Assembly in homage to the Ancient Athenians, would be open to all members of the college community. A President, a Secretary and a Treasurer would preside over these meetings. Standing committees elected by the student body would oversee specific agendas. A cabinet composed of the Chairs of these committees and the executive officers would meet as often as needed to oversee the day to day business of the community. The Judicial Board and Honor Court would continue to operate as they do now, but student representatives would be elected at Assembly meetings.

The President would be responsible for recognizing motions and presiding over the Assembly, and would not be allowed to have held or to hold any other student Government positions. The Assembly would meet at the discretion of the President, but at least twice a semester. Students would receive agendas for the Assembly a month prior to the meeting with articles to be voted on and reports from the offices of all student organizations that receive funding from student government. Any student would be allowed to submit articles to the agenda for public consideration. This system would give students a better idea of what campus organizations are doing, and would give everyone a chance to voice their ideas concerning those activities.



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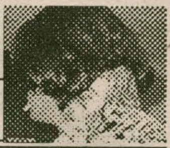
Put That Drink down
and other ways to stop having fun

JAMES BREITINGER



Second Thoughts

There's that warm feeling of unwanted reform in the air. Its stench is unmistakable, yet it goes largely unnoticed. It seems that Hamilton is preparing for yet another wild ride on the bandwagon of trendy collegiate restrictions, and the dissatisfied student body will get another chance to ride steerage on this bandwagon of fun. The warning signs abound. There was the critical *New York Times Magazine* article on the dangers of collegiate binge drinking, with the same few examples of tragedy at the hands of irresponsible drinking trotted out on parade for everyone to gasp at. The oft-cited example of Scott Kreuger's untimely drinking death at M.I.T. spawned countless editorials and Dateline NBC segments, probably most because Scott Kreuger was very photogenic, went to M.I.T., and was, by all accounts, "a good kid."

As much as Americans like to witness tragedy, I know Mr. Kreuger was not the first and I'm sure he will not be the last person to die from an alcohol-related incident. The fact that it took the death of a smart, good-looking, clean-cut young man to initiate a national dialogue is dubious at best. This provides reason to question the motives of college administrators all over the country. I suppose a maxim for higher education approaching the millennium could be something akin to, "if it ain't trendy, fix it." I would label this phenomenon, "The Bill Clinton Effect", to mean if one constantly shifts focus from one feel-good issue to the next, people will like it and everything will be good. No thank you, Dr. Pangloss—I mean, President Tobin.

Then there was the "landmark" Harvard University study that revealed to everyone's surprise that 80% of college students drink alcohol during the school year. [Insert shock, bewilderment, and disillusionment here.] An obvious question I would pose to these researchers is what percentage of adults drink during the year? I would guess about 80%. No one knows why it took until 1999 for collegiate drinking habits to become the center of a national debate, but how some colleges are dealing with it is short-sighted and immature.

Assuming Hamilton's need to publicly address this new and dangerous phenomenon known as binge drinking, President Tobin quickly assembled an Alcohol and Drug Task Force, which if you think sounds a little over-zealous, you are not alone. The aforementioned Task Force has been conducting studies of a mysterious nature besides the surveys passed out to some students. Regardless of their methods or their findings, it seems the Task Force is preparing to reveal its findings and this kind of "build-up" can only mean that the Administration is slowly bracing people for a change.

President Tobin professed his devotion to addressing and squashing the binge-drinking plague, but it is not a simple matter of eradication. College students need to be socialized in an appropriate, mature, and if possible, sophisticated manner. It is the very closed-minded restrictions on alcohol consumption which sometimes fuel the very irresponsible behavior the restrictions try to stop. College students, who are known to flex their freedom muscles, will always drink in college. It is this very type of human phenomenon that rules like these overlook and that ensure the failure of the rules before they ever begin. It is bad enough that current regulations prevent any kind of sophisticated social gathering and instead promote models of immature behavior like drinking behind closed doors in a dorm room. This is not to mention the abominable fact that even students over twenty-one cannot enjoy a libation in the comfort of their lounges, officially. I could understand the presence of an Alcohol and Drug Task Force if we had privileges that were somewhat out of the ordinary, but frankly, we do not. A student of age cannot have a party with a keg of beer for fear of being put on social probation that requires attendance at the TRAC Program.

In sum, the only hope we under-represented students have is that the Administration will not go too far. Let us hope that the College does not try to go against the natural processes of reaching adulthood and realizes that a new approach, which takes into account student interests, is needed.

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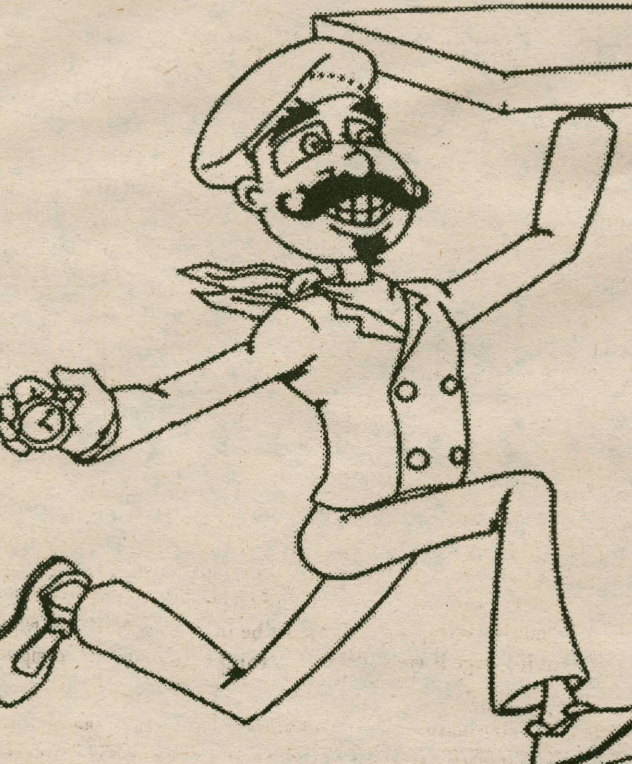

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From College Hill to Capitol Hill and back

The arrival of spring semester brings the promise of many things for juniors; one of which is applying to the Hamilton College Semester in Washington Program. This program for government majors is a popular "abroad" program for several reasons. I applied to the program for the more obvious ones: the ability to examine our nation's capital from the inside out, using my internship to make connections "out in the real world," and a chance to leave the Hill without leaving the country. Most of my peers agree that our experience did not end when we left Washington, as it followed some of us back up College Hill road.

I asked several of the returning government majors what their first reactions were when they arrived back on campus. My roommate, Tracy Helhoski mourned returning to snow country, but found that Marge in Commons had a lovely new perm. Some of the other returning students such as Allen O'Neil and Harmony Prosser enjoy the feelings of familiarity in the college community. Prosser noted "I was ecstatic to be back. I didn't know if I would be happy, because I knew I would be coming back to a different Hamilton. I love being back, but I thought it was very necessary to go."

Sara Rizzo and Andrew Osterman found that the social scene they returned to was very familiar, yet not entirely what they remembered. Rizzo felt that, "spending the first semester in Washington was one of the best decisions I ever made. I missed the Bundy parties on weekends and the North Court parties on Wednesdays, but upon my return I've learned it's okay to miss one now and then."

Osterman felt this feeling was prevalent

SHAUNA WRESCHNER

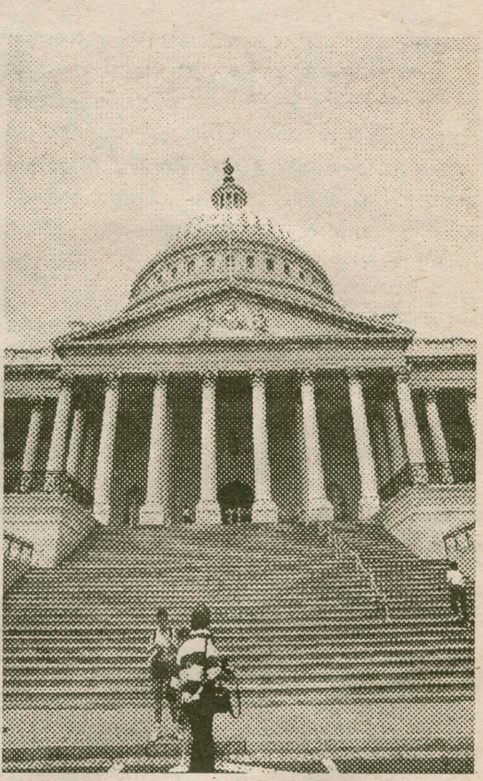
Looking Up

among returning students because of the older age of the people we were surrounded by. "I remember Bundy parties being fun," says Osterman. "However, in Washington you become accustomed to a social dynamic that is focused on a more mature crowd. It has to do with spending your time working side-by-side with people five to ten years your senior."

Many of us felt a change in our academic life as well. Ben Mann found he was "a lot more focused." He also realized that "the relationship of my studies here to the real world has changed. Some of the ties have become more concrete and some more nebulous." Allen O'Neil was surprised by the high amount of stress and work he returned to. "Coming off an eight to nine hour work day, inhaling dinner and going to class, I thought the workload would be somewhat easier when I returned to school."

Allen thought that the extra motivation and experience he received from working in an office would reduce how much time and effort his coursework demanded. He is not the only person to realize or mention the extra stress of returning to campus in mid-year, only to play catch-up socially and academically. He bluntly compares returning mid-year to running around like a chicken with his head cut off. However, making contacts that can be used for information in class and after graduation was one of the prevailing benefits of the program, and this offset some of the pitfalls.

In the end, the people I spoke to all were grateful for their time spent on Capitol Hill. I enjoyed my new urban setting from the zoo up the street to the National Gallery only a few minutes or metro stops away. I left Washington DC with the things I hope to leave Hamilton College: a close group of friends, a few reliable contacts, and a new appreciation for what lies ahead in my life.



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Texas trial raises doubts about progress

It can be sadistically ironic how life works. February is Black History Month, and this week marks the beginning of the trial of one of three white supremacists in Texas who randomly picked up a black man and then drove through the countryside dragging him from the back of their truck. They dragged him until his head fell off. Until his head fell off!!!

I had hoped that maybe we had gotten past this point. Regardless of skin color, sex, race, or religion, aren't we all human? Don't we all feel pain, have emotions and want to do the best we can with our lives? Who do these men think they are to treat a fellow human like that? Where do they get this authority to kill a man and cause severe emotional pain to his family and friends?

America is one of the most screwed up countries in the world in some ways, however I wouldn't want to live anywhere else because this is my home. Of course, it wasn't always home for whites. White Europeans stole this land from its rightful owners who were then forced to become strangers in their own homeland. Then blacks were stolen from their homes so that the new Americans could make their white homes more comfortable. In order to make a home here, the Europeans displaced the natives and forced others to leave their homes to face a life of unimaginable toil. These Europeans weren't self-absorbed at all, right?

Then the Europeans fought to win freedom from imperialistic forces in England, but what about the freedom of the blacks and the Indians? One of the symbols of the freedom of America has become the Statue of Liberty. The poignant lines that have such meaning to immigrants everywhere:

"Give me your tired, your poor
Your huddled masses yearning to breath free..."

Where does it say only white Europeans, please? The United States opened its doors to everyone. However, this open

KRYSTYN SCHMERBECK

Knocking on the Front Door

invitation was reneged, and racism against all non-whites was rampant. These non-whites have fought and have in many different laws the proof to show that they did win, regardless of the feelings shown through racist actions.

Ping Chong's production of "Undesirable Elements" on Saturday night is a testament to the fact that racism has not died out. Friends and other young adults shared the experiences they have had and the effects that rasicm and religious conflicts have had on their lives. It was a very powerful performance. I felt extremely moved by what performers shared with us about their lives, their difficulties and their triumphs.

I came out of the performance with a strong feeling of loss at the same time. These performers, by having to go through these situations dealing with race or religion, have a great respect for their heritage and who they are. I feel that perhaps there was one price that Americans had to pay for all their segregation -- we don't have a strong heritage. I have always felt that I was very American, but by being American I haven't really had to deal with racial or religious discrimination. I felt sad that I didn't have the clarity about my past and where I came from that the performers in Ping Chong had.

My point is that we still need to be active against the predjudices that occur everyday in this country. We need to take the step towards reaching a state of humanity. We are all part of a family because we are all humans. No race. No religion. No gender. No ethnicity. Equality is most likely a goal which is impossible to reach, but shouldn't we be united by the fact that we are all human? Shouldn't we use this union to get as close to equality as we can? We share more than we know and we lose too much by fighting and hurting each other. To become what we want rather than what we fear, we need to come together on our common ground, our humanity.

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Fancy footwork and "waves of moving bodies" come to Wellin Hall

The much awaited Elisa Monte/David Brown Dance Company *arrives at Hamilton*

By Jessica Hunt '01
WEEKEND STAFF WRITER

On Saturday, February 27, at 8:00 PM, The Performing Arts at Hamilton Contemporary and Visions series will host a performance by the Elisa Monte/David Brown Nace Company in Wellin Hall. Their internationally recognized innovation, driving intensity, sensuality, and virtuosity, helps this dance group transcend cultural boundaries by utilizing the common language of dance.

The Elisa Monte/David Brown Dance has performed over 25 original works by Elisa Monte and David Brown, the artistic directors and original founders of the company. After winning first prize for Best Company at the International Dance Festival of Paris in 1982, the group has traveled to cities throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Sia, and North Africa. More recently the company presented its critically acclaimed work *Feu Follet: A Cajun Love Story* at New York's Lincoln Center. This presentation explored the arts and artists of North America and the Caribbean, reflecting the "vibrant energy" Monte and Brown experienced while "dancing and listening to Cajun music."

According to Jenneth Webster, the Producer of the Lincoln Center Out-of-Doors program, the Elisa Monte/David Brown dancers are "beautiful—sleek, strong and lyrical" who make it their "mission to communicate" with the audience. The performance of "Feu Follet," combining Monte's dynamic choreography with an original score by Richard Peaslee, is like a sensuous modern dance with a caribbean flair. Its reliance on music, such as an onstage Cajun Band, makes the work even more intriguing.

PHOTO BY ROY VOLKMANN

The *Elisa Monte/David Brown Dance Company* arrives at Hamilton, bringing with it original and intriguing works and a superb group of dancers.

Elisa Monte/David Brown Troupe consists of approximately seven to nine racially and ethnically diverse members. All of their works, not just "Feu Follet," combine Brown's Jamaican heritage with Monte's impressive choreographic background. Fancy footwork and "waves of moving bodies" make for an almost magical performance. It is common for audience members to find themselves lost in a sea of music and dance, unable to focus on the flaws, if there are any, of the show.

In addition to stage performances, Elisa Monte/David Brown Dance also conducts extensive residency activities in the cities it visits. Demonstrations and post-performance discussions are typical touring activities The company has even conducted longer term teaching and creative residencies for programs held at the Lake Placid Center for the Arts and New York Univeristy's Tisch School for the Arts, among others.

For more information regarding this performance, please contact the Hamilton College Performing Arts Ticket Office at 859-4331. Tickets are $15.00 for adults and $5.00 for students, and can be purchased at the MWPI Performing Arts Ticket Office at (315) 797-0055.

The following dancers are members of the Company:

Nadine Mose	Marden Ramos
Caroline Nehr	Malek Sebai
Alex Pelham	Akari Sasaki
Yvette Perry	Andrew Vaughn

Viewers develop the blues after seeing 'Varsity Blues'

By Matt Olney '01
WEEKEND STAFF WRITER

MTV Films has done it again. Their last film, *Dead Man On Campus*, found its way onto many people's "worst films of the year" list. Although *Varsity Blues* is an improvement, it is still uninspiring, disinteresting, and just plain dumb.

Dawson's Creek hunk James Van Der Beek stars as Moxon, a second string quarterback who is satisfied waiting out the rest of the football season on the bench. Unlike his teammates, he has ambitions of leaving his Texas town to attend college and even slips classic novels into his playbook.

VARSITY BLUES **C**
No Longer Showing

Mox's life is turned inside-out when the star first string quarterback is injured, and he must engineer the team to the division title. Mox is pressured by his demanding father, his veteran head coach Bud Kilmer (Jon Voight), and even the head cheerleader. However, Mox will not role over to Kilmer's demands like the others, and he will not go behind his friend's backs. He is more interested in having fun.

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Van Der Beek is the only intelligent character in this film. His performance is dynamic in that he has many forces working against him. Except for his girlfriend Jules (Amy Smart), everyone around him wants him to change, thereby sacrificing his goals and dreams. Unfortunately, Van Der Beek's supporting cast is dry and mundane. Voight gives a sub-par performance as the cut-throat coach who will do anything to win, even sacrifice the health of his players. Scott Caan (son of James Caan) as Tweeder, Ron Lester as Billy Bob, and Paul Walker as Lance Harbor all give cliché, hot-dog high school performances as teammates of Mox.

One very positive aspect to this film is its realistic look at high school football, especially in Texas. Suprisingly, coaches like Kilmer exist, and the team players represent all types of high school players. There are the hot shots, the second stringers, passed-overs due to conflicts with the coach, and the stars whose careers end due to injuries. In essence, this film is a symbol of high school football.

Varsity Blues is filled with a bunch of young, attractive people who simply cannot act. Along with this, T&A were cleverly inserted to attract the high school male crowd. This film, like the other made for teenage football movie released this year, *The Waterboy*, tries to inspire, and, like Adam Sandler's film, fails miserably. It seems that these films cannot be made without an inspirational message and cheesy, made for promotion lines like, "I don't want your life."

Overall, this film is poorly made and acted. If these young actors are the future of the Hollywood scene, don't expect much. However, *Varsity Blues* paints a realistic portrait of high school football and, for that alone, is worth seeing.

SPECTATOR FASHION

Hamilton's social elite gathers at Carnival

PHOTO BY BECCA SAVAGE

Sophie DeLignerolles '99 in Celine and David Katz '99 in Gaultier chaps and briefs prove that style is all about the attitude.

PHOTO BY BECCA SAVAGE

Fashion mogul Daniel McAllister shows Tommy Carroll that plastering one's face against the window is not always the wisest idea. Ascot and shirt by Dolce and Gabbana.

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Party goers Karlton Bontrager and Colin "Money" Walshok, both in Gucci, rub more than elbows with party DJ alum Mark Fields in XLarge.

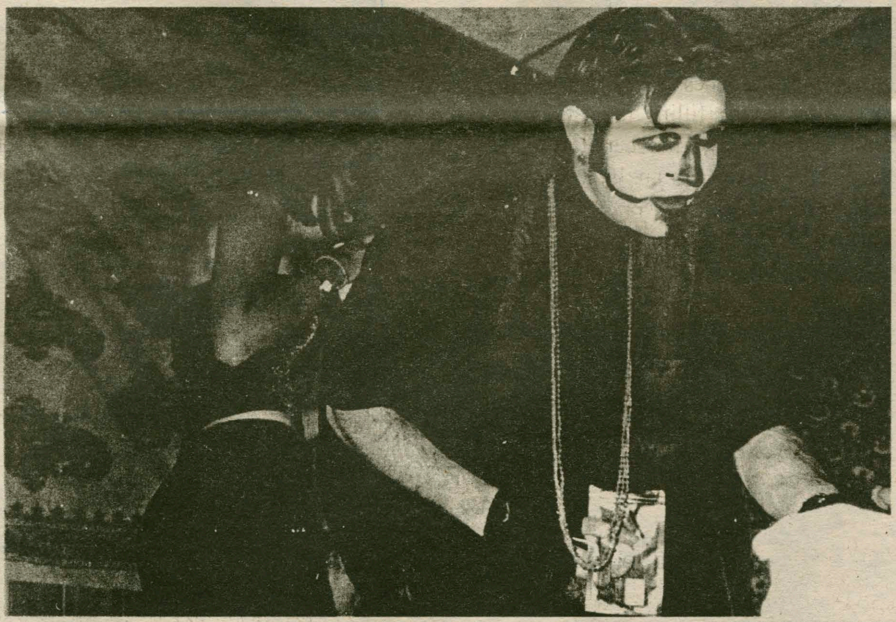


PHOTO BY DAVE KATZ

Alum Phillipe Montague combines the Marilyn Manson look with Prada and the ever pertinent accessory of Blunts.

PHOTO BY BECCA SAVAGE

Spectator models Rebecca Savage in BCBG and Catherine Smith in Michael Kors take fashion into the real world of partying.

$12 Million raised

By Dan McAllister and Kristen McGuiness
Fashion Editors

This past Friday, a Carnival party was held in Bundy to benefit the sinking city of Venice, Italy. Hamilton's social elite showed up dressed to the nines in the latest of European spring designs. The Veuve Cliquot was flowing freely, as were ecstatic feelings. Spectator model Rebecca Savage said, "Not only is this a great cause, but the perfect opportunity to catch up with old friends and new looks."

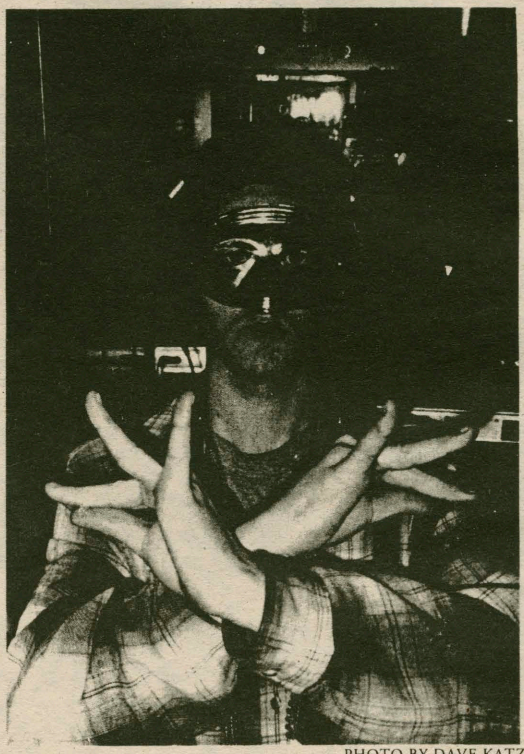
Thomas Mann's literary namesake has catalyzed a storm of attention over the past few years. Since it was discovered that the labyrinthine city of Venice has begun to sink into the blue waters of the Adriatic, celebrities and aristocracy alike have donated time and money to save Italy's metropolis of love. Once a playground of the peerage, as well as the site of Lord Byron's forbidden love, Venice has become the charity du jour.

Friday night's benefit raised over twelve million U.S. dollars. With gifts of family jewels and cold hard cash, the glitteratae gave both their hearsts and their style. Princess Noor Al-Hussein, though still grieving the recent death of her husband, made a brief appearance in a stunning Dior original. Taking time for a campus tour, she remarked, "A bit like my alma mater Princeton, but without the Southern charm."

Other guests in attendance included Marie-Chantal of Greece, looking more and more like Princess Grace everyday, and Donatella Versace who could not help but claim Friday's festivities "the most fabuluous gathering there has been in recent memory."

After dancing, drinking and donating till those early hours of the morning, the revellers boarded private jets out of town. All in all, the benefit proved la dolce vita is alive and well in Clinton, New York.

Don't forget the neediest!



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D.J. Andrew "Digital" McKay sports fashion's testament to hip hop in Tommy Hilfiger and Wu Wear.

Fashion questions? Write to the Fashion Editors.

Calendar

Friday, February 26

CARNIVAL 99. *Latino Night.* Join La Vanguardia for an evening filled with home-cooked food, music, and dance workshops. Events Barn. 4-6 p.m. Sponsored by President's Office, Multicultural Affairs, Spanish Department, Africana Studies, Kirkland Project, and Dean of Faculty's Office.

CARNIVAL 99. *Latino Night* (cont'd). Conclude the evening with a party brought to campus by La Vanguardia and BLSU. Events Barn. 8 p.m.

CONCERT. Lui Collins returns to full-time national touring. Happy Endings Cake & Coffeehouse, Syracuse. 8:30 p.m. Call (315) 475-1853 for more information.

Saturday, February 27

CARNIVAL 99. Mask Making Workshop. Prepare for the Midnight Masquerade by creating your mask. Events Barn. 3:30-4:30 p.m.

CARNIVAL 99. Dance Workshop. Cultural Blend Dance Troupe will spruce up your dancing skills just in time for the Midnight Masquerade. Events Barn. 4:30-6:30 p.m.

CONCERT. *3rd Annual Winter A Cappella Fest.* The Hamiltones with special guests, The Colbyettes, and The Colgate 13. Chapel. 8 p.m.

PERFORMING ARTS. *Elisa Monte/David Brown Dance Company.* Look for the feature article previewing the show on the first page of the Weekend Section. Wellin Hall. 8 p.m. Tickets are $5 for all students and $10 for Hamilton employees.

CARNIVAL 99. *Midnight Masquerade.* The Afro-Caribbean Carnival with "A Taste of Caribbean Cuisine," "Talent Show," and "Dancehall King and Queen Contest." Don't forget to dress up. Events Barn. 10 p.m.-4 a.m. Sponsored by Africana Studies, History Department, Kirkland Project, and Dean of Faculty.

CONCERT. *The Samples.* With their richly textured layers of sound, irrepressible pop beats, soaring harmonies, and emotionally-charged lyrics, this band has sold out concerts across the country. *Seeking Homer* opens the concert. Colgate University. Hall of Presidents. Tickets are $5 or $8 at the door. Call (607) 723-5543 for more information.

POETRY READING. *Poetry in the Afternoon.* Professor and writer Naomi Guttman to read her poetry. Kirkland Town Library. 3:30 p.m.

FILM. *The Living Seas.* A new IMAX film showing in Syracuse through the end of the summer. Museum of Science and Technology (MOST).

Sunday, February 28

CONCERT. Jazz Vespers Service. In observance of African-American History Month, Dr. Michael E. Woods and fellow musicians will play versions of various pieces such as "Body and Soul" and "Footprints." Events Barn. 5-7 p.m. Sponsored by the Office of the Chaplaincy and Karen Green.

ART. *The Making and Decorating of Early Books.* Manuscripts from the Middle Ages with accompanying labels of interpretation by Professor Judith Oliver from Colgate University. Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute. Musuem of Art. 1:30 p.m. Free Admission.

Monday, March 1

11 DAYS UNTIL SPRING BREAK

Tuesday, March 2

READING. *Economoy: Reading Simonides with Paul Celan.* Anne Carson, associate professor of Classics at McGill University, Montreal, will read from her work. Dwight Lounge. 8 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3

LECTURE. *Winslow Lecture.* Anne Carson to give a public lecture. Dwight Lounge. 4:15 p.m.

FILM. *Priest.* Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute. Auditorium. 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 4

FILM. *Color Me Lavender.* Presented by Mark Rapport as part of the Queer Sidebar. K-J Auditorium. 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Kirkland Project and the Kirkland Endowment, the Foreign and Fine Film Series, and the New York State Council on the Arts.

LECTURE. Himilce Novas and panel discussion. Discuss "new Immigrants and Bilingualism" with ProfessorSusan Sanchez-Casal and Professor Bonnie Urcioli. Science-Aud. 7 p.m.

ART. *Recent Acquisitions.* A selection of works collected since 1995 from various authors, such as James McNeill Whistler, Arthur B. Davies, Jasper Johns, and Kiki Smith. Emerson Gallery. Through April 7. Mon-Fri: 12-5 p.m. Sat-Sun: 1-5 p.m.

LECTURE. Wole Soyinka, winner of the 1986 Nobel Prize for Literature, will speak at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Public Affairs lecture annual event. Syracuse University. Schine Auditorium. 7:00 p.m. Free to public, but interested persons need to secure tickets. Look for further information or call (315) 443-4302. Sponsored by the Department of African American Studies at Syracuse University.

Coming Soon...

ASB. 1st Annual "Not-So-Silent" Auction. Elderlife. March 5, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.. Benefits Alternative Spring Break. E-mail crosenbe with donations or questions.

CONCERT. *Korn* with Rob Zombie. Perhaps 1998's best success story, *Korn* emerged as rock superstars, filling the void left in rock music after lukewarm receptions to albums by supposed rock champions like *Smashing Pumpkins*. *Korn* kicks it this time with Rob Zombie, the Sexorcisto himself. Broome County Arena, Binghamton. March 18, 7:30 p.m. Tickets on sale through Ticketmaster at (607) 722-7272.

CONCERT. Hard Knock Life Tour featuring *Jay-Z, DMX, Method Man,* and *Redman.* This hip-hop megatour features two hot superstars – *Jay-Z* and *DMX* – along with veteran MCs *Method Man* and *Redman.* Pepsi Arena, Albany. March 23, 8 p.m. Also appearing at Blue Cross Arena, Rochester on March 17 and at Marine Midland Arena, Buffalo on March 25.

CONCERT. *Goo Goo Dolls.* Just three years removed from their unattended show here at Hamilton, the *Goo Goo Dolls* are three-time 1999 Grammy nominees and headed to Syracuse University. Goldstein Auditorium. March 30, 8 p.m. Tickets are $20 for general public or $18 with an SU ID. Available at the Schine Student Center on the Syracuse University Campus. Call (315) 443-2718 for more information.

FILM. *The Sticky Fingers of Time.* A lesbian sci-fi feature presented by Hilary Brougher as part of the Queer Sidebar. K-J Auditorium. April 2, 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Kirkland Project and the Kirkland Endowment, the Foreign and Fine Film Series, and the New York State Council on the Arts.

CONCERT. *Marilyn Manson* and *Hole,* with *Monster Magnet.* This is the tour to catch in '99 as two of rock's biggest egos team up on this co-headlining extravaganza which kicks off out west in early march. Will Courtney and the Antichrist Superstar make it to their scheduled April 11 date at Buffalo's Marine Midland Arena?

FILMS. *Damned If You Don't, Rules of the Road,* and *Hide and Seek.* Presented by Su Fredrich as part of the Queer Sidebar. K-J Auditorium. April 22, 12 p.m. & 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Kirkland Project and the Kirkland Endowment, the Foreign and Fine Film Series, and the New York State Council on the Arts.

FILM. *De Profundus.* Presented by Lawrence Brose as part of the Queer Sidebar. K-J Auditorium. May 4, 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Kirkland Project and the Kirkland Endowment, the Foreign and Fine Film Series, and the New York State Council on the Arts.

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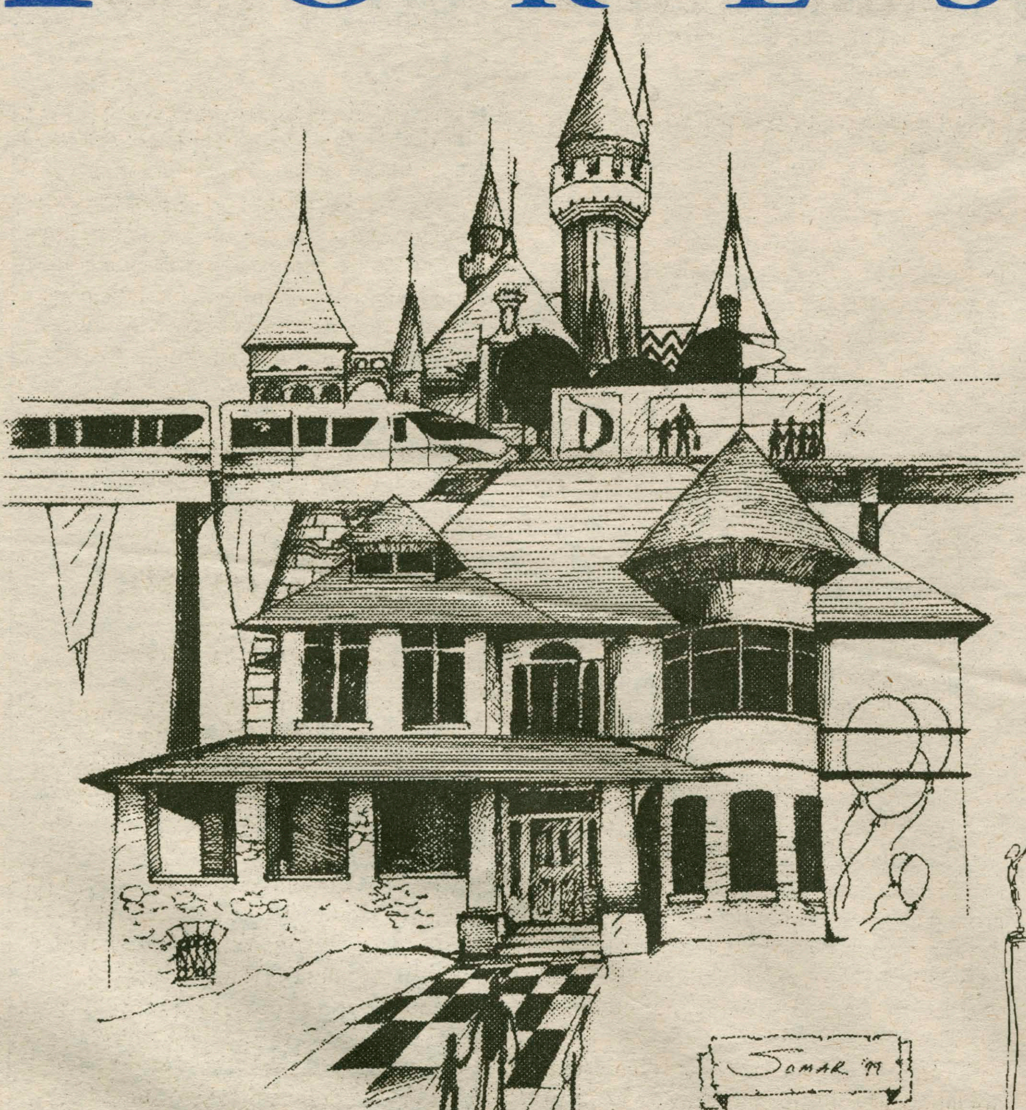

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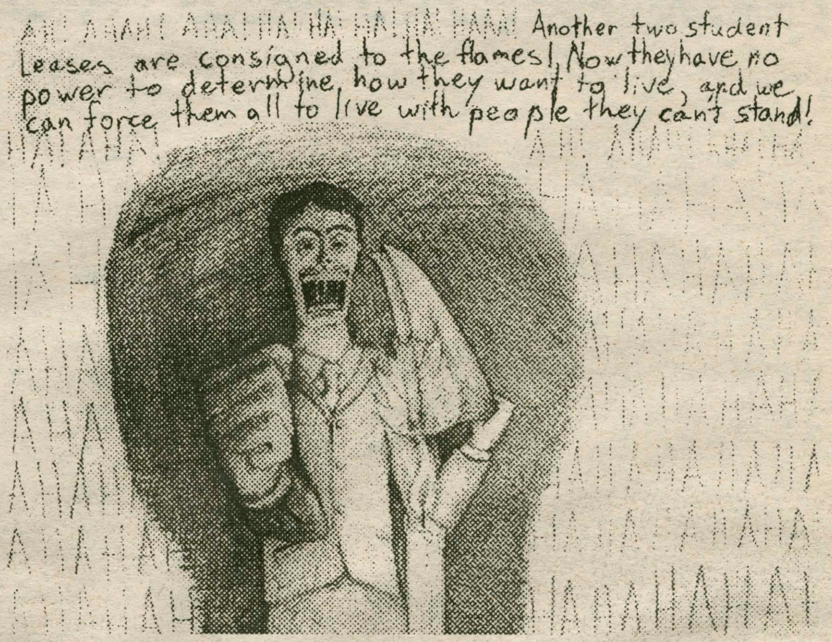

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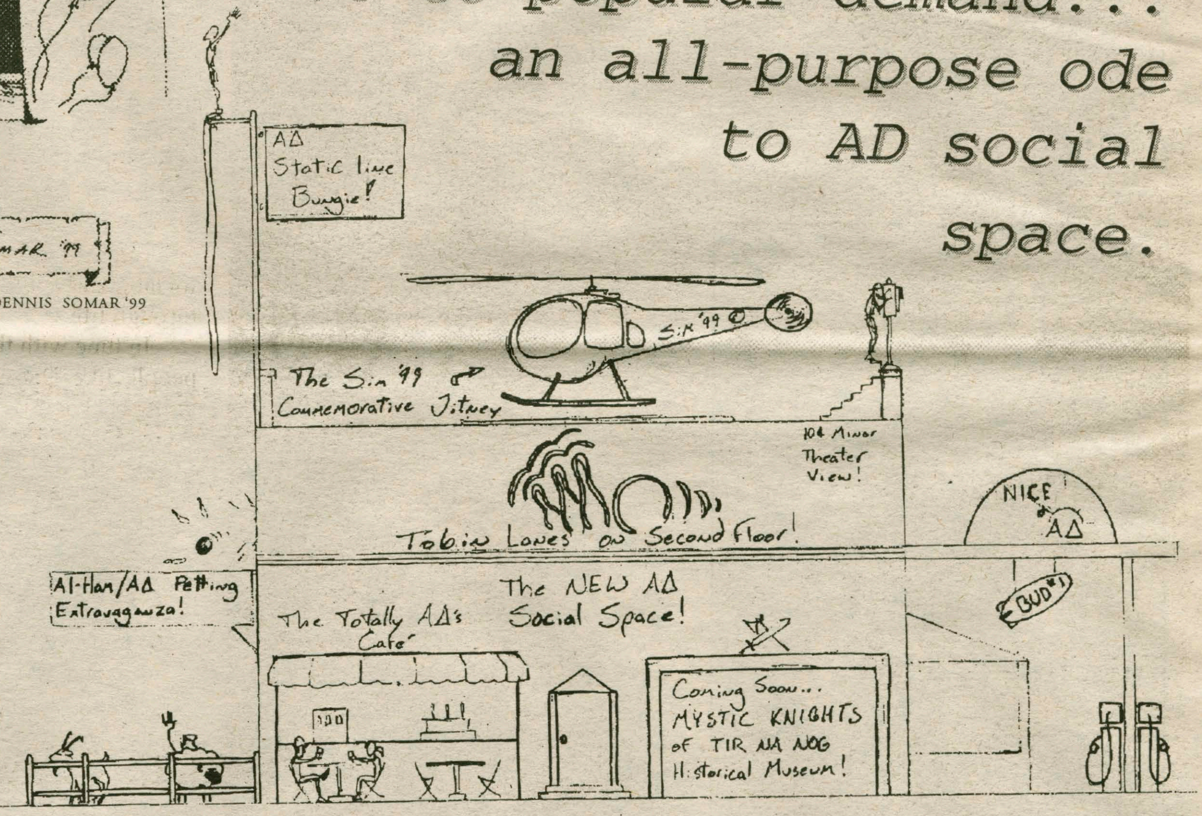
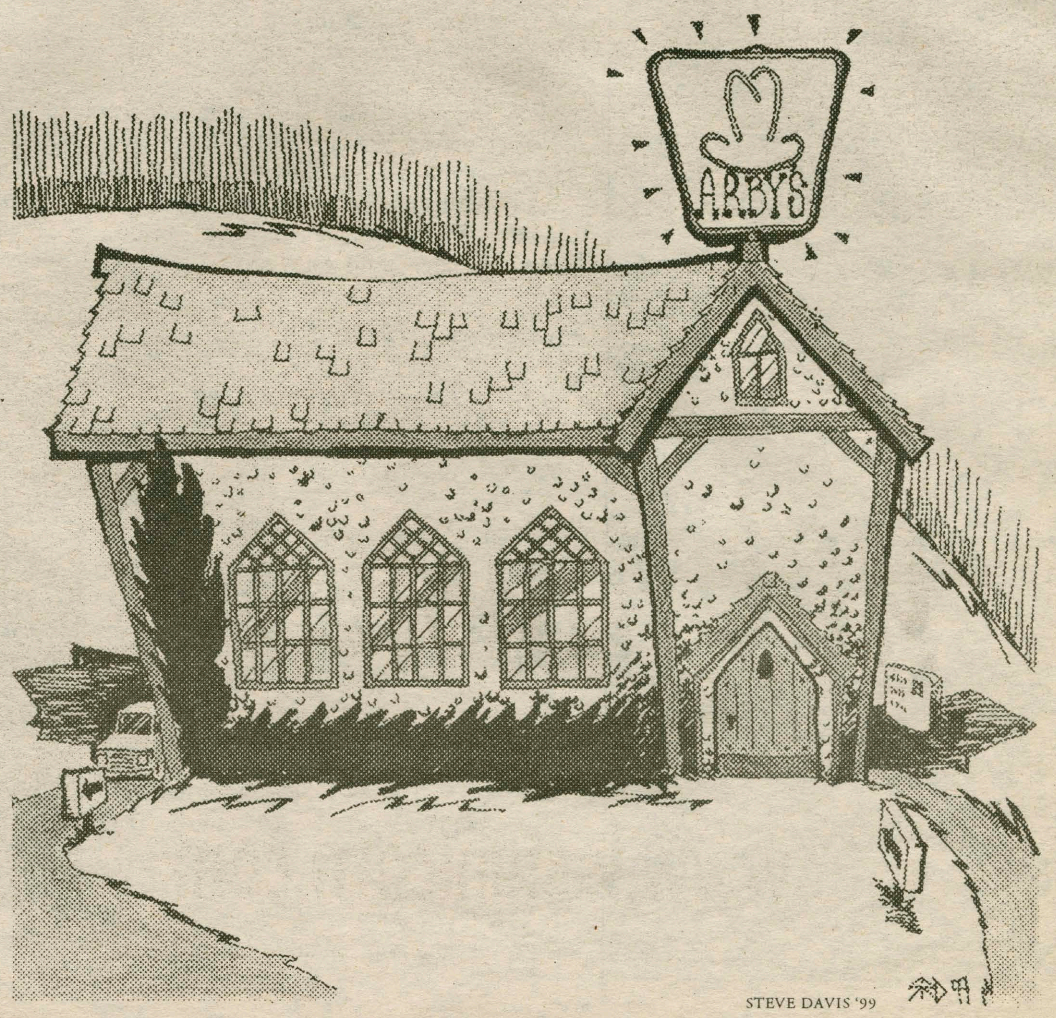


Hamilton turns Psi U into a fast food restaurant, thus creating the largest Arby's east of the Mississippi.



STEVE DAVIS '99

Poet-In-Residence Robert Dana delivers with grace

by James A. O'Shaughnessy
MANAGING EDITOR

The posters stuck to the walls of Bristol. The English Department handouts buried among old Spectators and The Daily Bull sat seemingly unread by most of the student body. It was early February and all anyone wanted to do was sit in their dry, warm rooms and wait for cabin fever and the heat to kick in. For many this process involves television, video games, homework or beer. Some seek the crowded athletic center to make their blood run warm through their bodies and await the sweet droplets of sweat to drip over their lips and into their mouths. This salty liquid provides relief from a dry mouth, reminds us of the beach and humid air, and if we catch the right feeling, sends us daydreaming of summertime.

When poet Robert Dana spoke Wednesday, the Events Barn smelled brackish. Like holding your head to a conch shell, you heard the ocean in the background of Dana's wonderful prose. His words carried out of his mouth in crashing waves and landed softly on his listener's laps.

His presence at Hamilton College this past week is part of the Department of English's 1999 Hamilton College Writer-In-Residence program. A relatively new program to the college, the Writer-In-Residence program pulled the student body out of the cold winter air and swept them up to the third floor of Root Hall to meet a legend. Students took advantage of this opportunity because privileges such as these cannot always be bought with money. However, when our college uses its funds with the students in mind, men like Dana bless us for a brief week.

Brave and tireless students found yet another chance to have their writing critiqued or complemented, some finding inspiration. Although brief, a meeting with a sage like Robert Dana remind us why we are proud to love poetry. His tenderness and love for the common man remind us of Whitman. He represents a tradition as old as his home state of Massachusetts— a tradition of American poetics that breaks from European traditions and speaks to a country of many different shores. A country where the sun rises on different horizons and sets facing land on one shore and looks out into to the vastness of the ocean on the other shore. Orphaned at eight, Dana's love for language and understanding carried him through life.

In tune with the ways of the land, it is people like Dana that keep young poets going back to their journals. Readings like the one he gave Wednesday night offer insight into the world of a poet. One of the points Dana makes in his essay *The Writer as Starling: Advice to a Young Poet* is that in order to write our own poetry we must have knowledge of many things. As writers, we need to know not only about other poets, but about the world that surrounds us. This kind of knowledge can only be gleaned through experience. Dana's poetry attests to his wealth of knowledge. His first poem, "Horses" was a self called "list of everything I know about horses." What he delivered to the audience was a plethora of names. It seems that his intention in this poem was to show the reader that a poet must have knowledge, must have facts and most importantly, must have experiences.

The lesson here: read, get out and live life, get off your couch and experience your surroundings. Our backyards teach us more than the television set will ever will.

It was oddly sad leaving Beinecke last night. Robert Dana had touched many students and faculty alike. His thoughtfulness moved listeners to appreciate his poetry and ability to recite cantos. His soft grace and paternal charm was reminiscent of the poets of old that lead nations to battle. For a week he found his muse in Hamilton's freezing wind blowing outside his small office in Root.

Praise to the English Department and Hamilton College! Robert Dana has inspired!

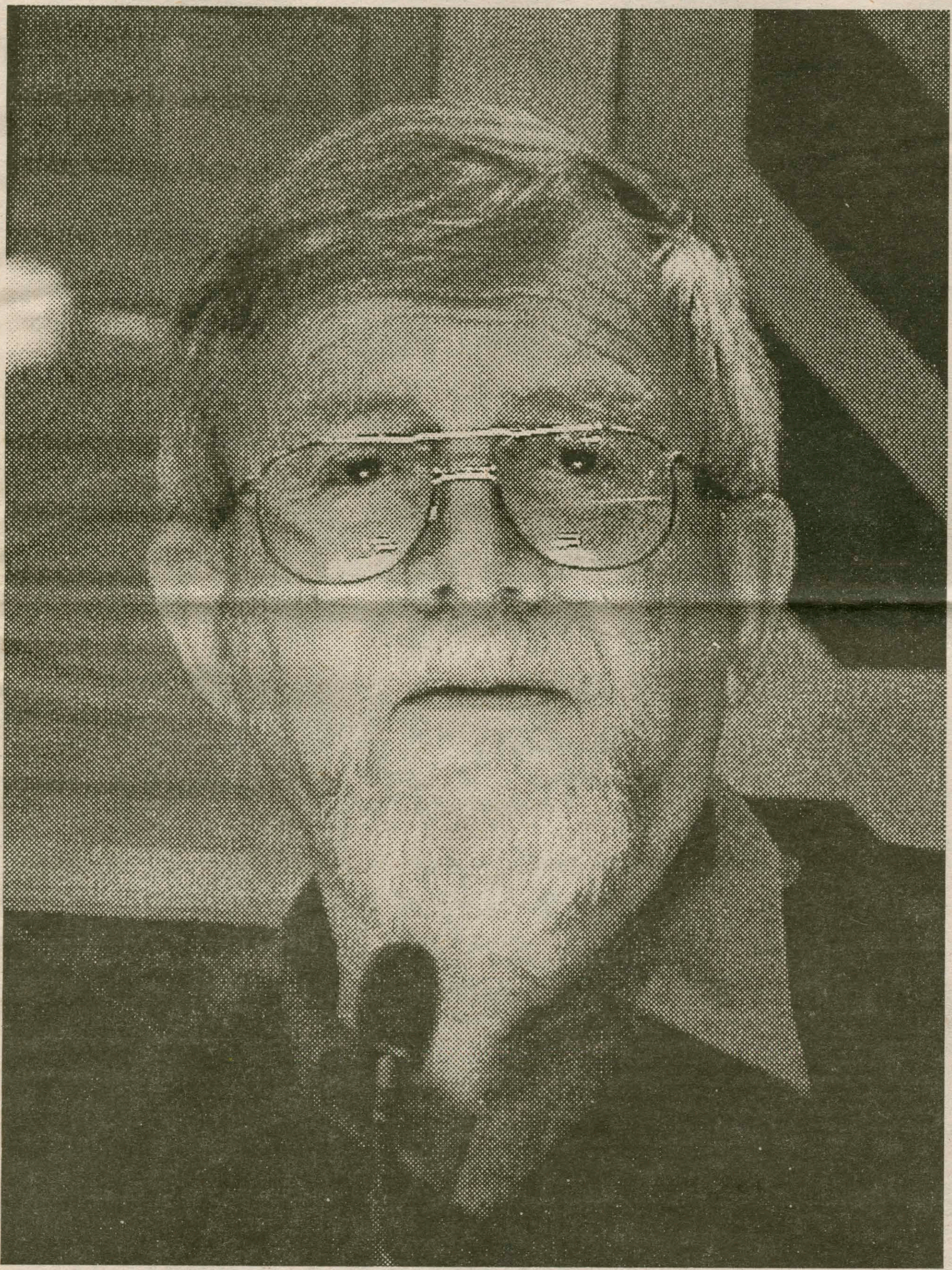


PHOTO BY JAMES O'SHAUGHNESSY

Through a raspy voice, poet Robert Dana gave his listeners first hand evidence of tender, sexy prose.

College to host provocative directors

Get ready Hamilton. Starting March 4 this campus will be host for a two month long cinematic journey. A voyage which includes the work of some of the foremost independent filmmakers in the country.

On four separate occasions our campus will be saturated with film talent. Over the course of the next two months, the community will have free access to roughly eight different independent films in the Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.

Beginning with Mark Rappaport on 4 March at 7:00 p.m., the *Queer Sidebar* will get underway with a full docket of high-quality independent films. Rappaport will present his film *Color Me Lavender* which stars Dan Butler, star of the hit series Frasier on television.

The Queer Sidebar is curated by Scott MacDonald and is made possible by the Kirkland Project, Foreign and Fine Film Series, and the New York State Council on the Arts.

Look in the Spectator Weekend Calendar for reviews and schedules on this landmark film event.

"Don't Ask..."

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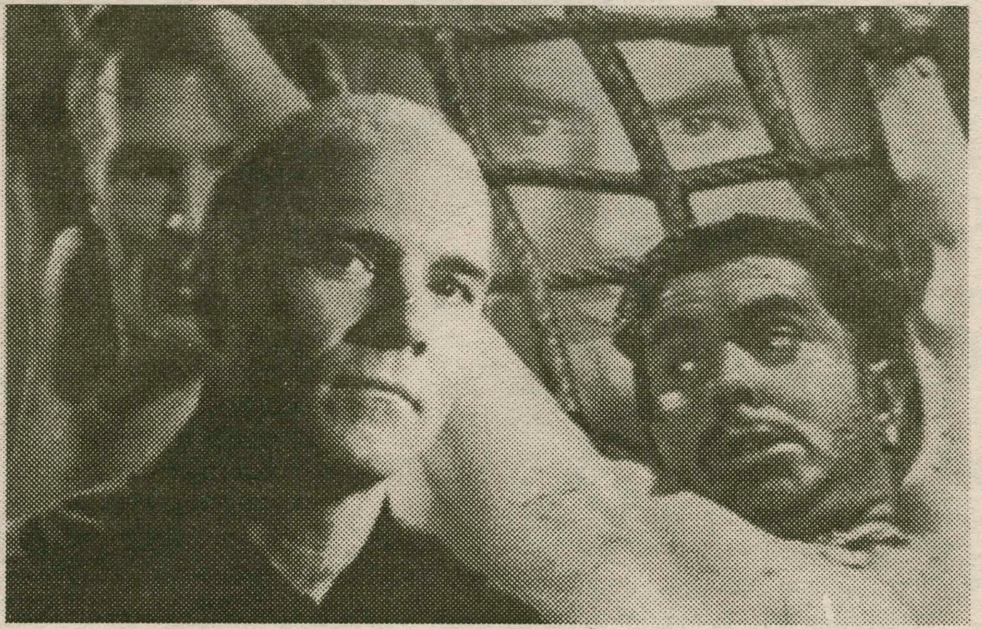
"Don't Pursue..."



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BUDDHA'S BUZZ

New Radicals push timely pop

by Peter Gaston '99
Spectator Exclusive

This one's been out for some time now, but the album's infectious lead single, "You Get What You Give," made me want to go in for a closer look. What we find is basically a one man show featuring Gregg Alexander and twelve songs of self-indulgent self-portraiture. Alexander steals from the Beatles, Elton John, and Paul Westerberg, and subscribes to the tongue-in-cheek lyrical tendencies of today's modern rockers.

It all seems cliche at first glance, but somehow it's appealing. What Alexander lacks in originality he makes up for with sensible pop compositions, complete with plenty of "yeah yeahs" and sing-along choruses.

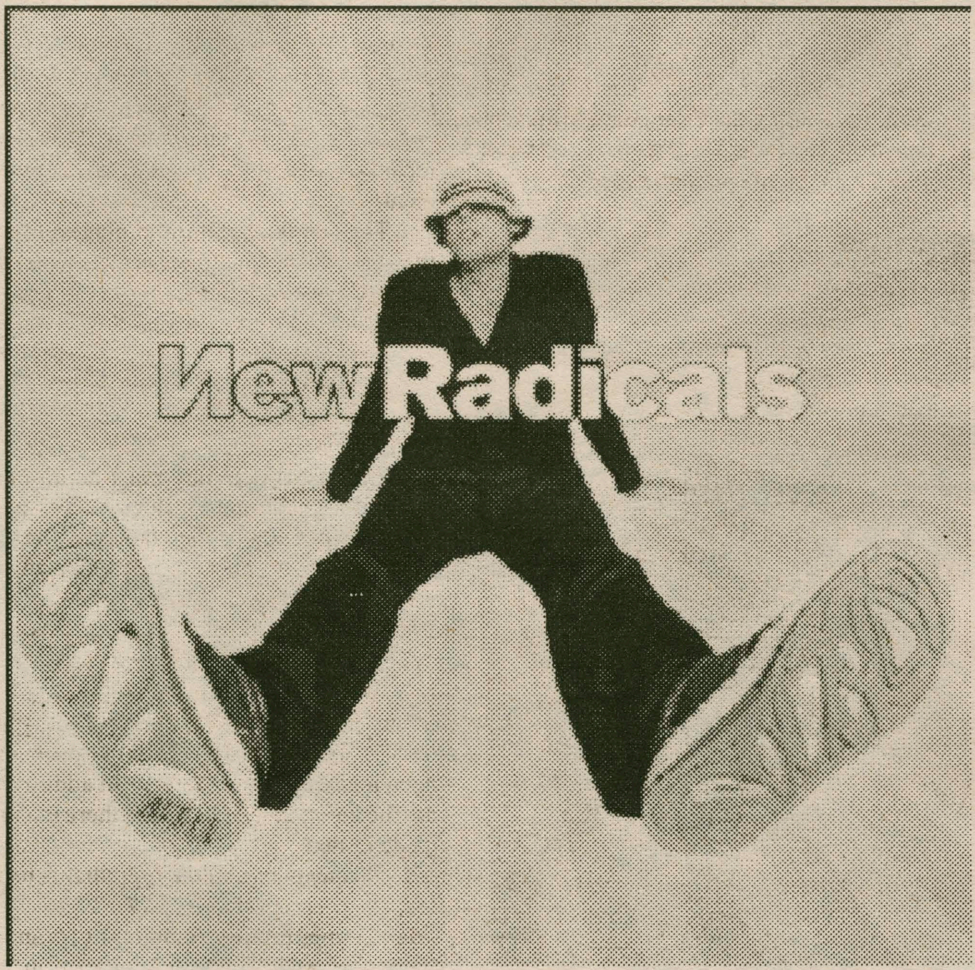
Alexander obviously logs his hours in the studio, as the tracks on *Brainwashed* are layered with tons of instrumentation, ranging from funky percussion on "Mother We Just Can't Get Enough" to soaring strings on "Flowers." The resulting sound is lush, crisp, and full, but not overproduced.

Aside from his musical flair, Alexander's words strike a chord in an era where we seem to care about everything and nothing at all in our MTV-influenced social agenda. Alexander wants to care about the world on the title track as he rattles off line after line of anti-establishment rantings. Some winners include "Is it smug middle class satisfaction you peddle?/Better hope your car don't break down in the ghetto" and "Teenagers baited, their money spent/With credit cards at 20%."

Then there's that romantic side. We can be political for awhile, but we still want to get laid, right? Alexander agrees, and ruminates over relationships and love in a very pre-millenium attitude. On the pretty power ballad "In Need of a Miracle," Alexander opens with "I looked for love in Memphis/I looked for love in Rome/Now that I finally got you/I just wanna take you home." On "Someday We'll Know," Alexander moans, "I'm speeding by the place that I met you/For the 97th time tonight."

At his best, Alexander nails the target with poignant words and catchy hooks, and at his worst he's a bit whiny and overdone. In a time where we're just doing OK, he makes a lot of sense.

Artist: *New Radicals*
Album: Maybe You've Been Brainwashed Too
Record Label: MCA
Bubbha's Score: B+



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Horoscopes

By Baby Bear with help from Snuggles
Spectator Astrologers

Pisces
(Feb 20-Mar 20)
Has your face been melting? Shut the hell up. Wait, has it? That's bad dude. Get that shit checked out. Even you know you can't trip off acid-rain.

Aries
(Mar 21-Apr 20)
Has the wind been blowing strange aromas into the hallway? Here's some advice we learned long ago. It's called a towel under the door and a fan in the window.

Taurus
(Apr 21-May 21)
Financial worries getting you down? Don't stop at Turnig Stone. Bet on Big Foot at the next Monster Truck show. It pays out like you wouldn't believe.

Gemini
(May 22-Jun 21)
Upset about your sex life this week? This month? This year for chrissakes? Get a handle on things (not your own). Try some new techniques on the dance floor. Toys perhaps?

Cancer
(Jun 22-Jul 22)
Quit dreaming. The new *Wendy's* ad does not promote drug use: "Don't forget the nuggets." But, it tastes better if you take their advice and get it while its hot.

Leo
(Jul 23-Aug 23)
Is your muse in a box? Is it time to find that special someone? Mama always said, good things come to those who wait. Pappy always said, the early bird gets the worm. You decide.

Virgo
(Aug 24-Sep 23)
Quit complaining about the weather. Your recent illness is not due to nature, but the growth on your pillow. Be cautious of ingesting any spores. They will send you flying.

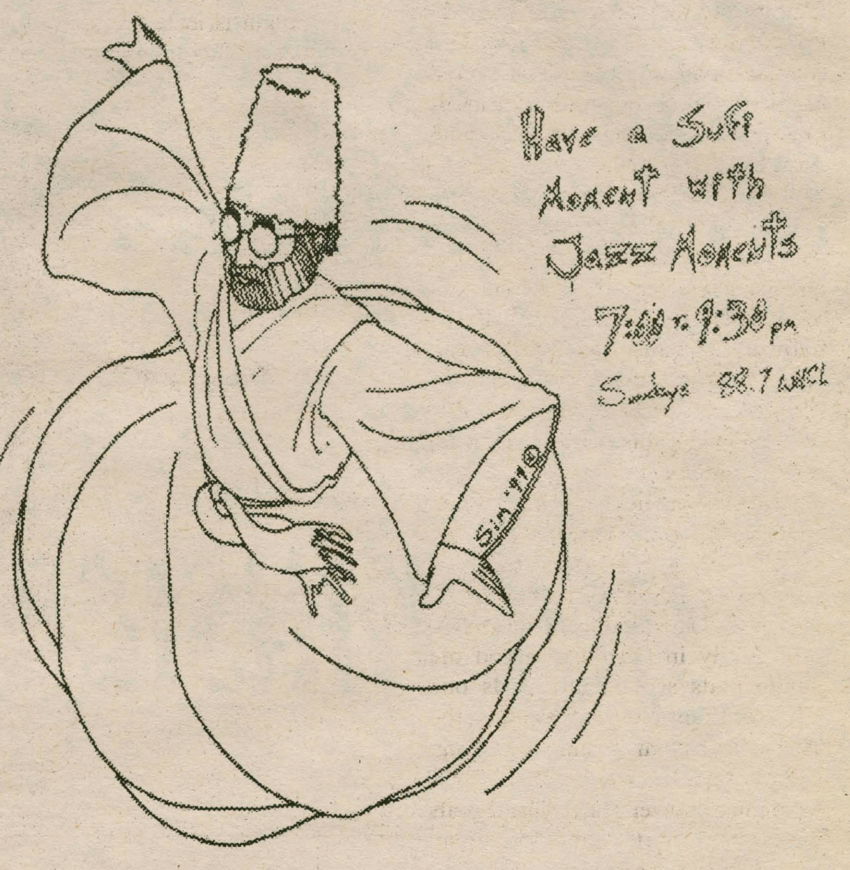
Libra
(Sep 24-Oct 23)
Your last supper seated ten, did it not? Stop carrying the weight of the world on your shoulders. Slack off and let your parents take care of it. They'll foot the bill.

Scorpio
(Oct 24-Nov 22)
The moon is in your corridor. The sun is in your mud room. The days are getting longer. Springtime is not much further. Don't let everyone's face give you nightmares.

Sagittarius
(Nov 23-Dec 21)
One of your classes reminds you too much of highschool, doesn't it? Stupid busy work and that person who will not shut up on the other side of the room. Our advice: bring good drawing paper.

Capricorn
(Dec 22-Jan 20)
Are you addicted to something? Those anonymous groups don't work for you. Supress your desire(s) by drinking heavily straight from the milk spicket.

Aquarius
(Jan 21-Feb 19)
There's not much room for creativity is there? Try squeezing things in or merely begin that rigorous exerciseprogram in the bathroom. P.S: read The Spectator weekend section.



Basketball focuses on weekend showdown at Williams

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then perform very well in Saturday games. Unfortunately, the pattern did not continue last Saturday against Bowdoin. Despite another sensational performance by Schantz (32 points) and a career-high 18 points (6 three-pointers) from McCarthy, the Continentals dropped their fourth game in a row, 83-79. Schmiegel continued his physical play under the boards scoring 13 points and pulling down 14 rebounds, but the team still came up short.

"We lost the game at the foul line," remarked Murphy after the loss. "It came down to the wire, but we missed 10 foul shots. We didn't play very well in the first half, and we dug a hole for ourselves. We are not putting 40 minutes of good basketball together. We are having 8 or 10 minute spurts where we play well, but that is about it. Their big guy [David Baranowski] gave us trouble. He had a great day with 18 points and 10 rebounds in 22 minutes. He was 8-12 from the floor, although they were mostly layups. We had some chances, but we just let it slip away. We played hard to the end and got back into it, but that wasn't good enough."

Murphy believes the team will be okay in the Tournament. "I think we're playing well," he added. "The teams we have lost to are a lot of the teams that will be in the tournament. We have shown we can play with them, even though we haven't beat any of them yet. We played a tough schedule and in the end it will pay off for us."

One of the recent bright spots during the four game skid has been the superb play of McCarthy. He is currently ranked seventh in the country in three-point percentage. "Jimmy is playing with more confidence, which is very good," remarked Murphy He doesn't shy away from shooting which is good most of the time because he has been hitting his shots."

Why is McCarthy shooting so well all of a sudden? "I've been trying to put in extra time before and after practice," said the Brookline, Massachusetts native. "I try not to take bad shots, and I only shoot when I'm open so I should make all my shots. It helps because most teams double team Mike and Jon which gives me open looks."

Would the Continentals lose their fifth game in a row for the first time since the 1973-1974 season? No. On Tuesday night, in their last home game of the season, the Continentals overcame a sluggish first half to defeat Middlebury 86-71. Schantz scored 39 points and grabbed 14 rebounds, while Schmiegel added 17 points and a game-high 19 rebounds, and sophomore point guard Jimmy Driggs connected on two three-point attempts and finished with six points.

"We came out flat and got yelled at during halftime," said Stroman. "And then we started picking it up defensively, and I think everyone realized that if we got some stops on defense that we would be able to get out and play up tempo basketball. We are at our best playing that way, because we have guys who like to get out on the break. If we pick up our defensive intensity, then we usually get out to an early lead which allows us to throw the ball into Mike and Jon, and it is hard for teams to stop us. But when we get behind, as we have a lot this season, it's a lot harder to go inside to them and it forces us away from our game."

The win over Middlebury places the Continentals in good position for a home game in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. In order to guarantee a first round playoff game, the Continentals must beat rival Williams. After making it to consecutive Final-Fours, the Ephs are having an off year and may not qualify for the NCAA Tournament. The excellent play of Connecticut College, Trinity, and Bowdoin coupled with the loss of some of Williams' main weapons from last year has taken its toll on the Ephs. They are still very dangerous, but are no longer the powerhouse they had been in years past.

"It's a big game for them," admitted McCarthy. "If they want any shot at the Tournament, they have to win this game. But if we want to get a home game this one would really help us. We also want momentum and a little winning streak going into the NCAA's.

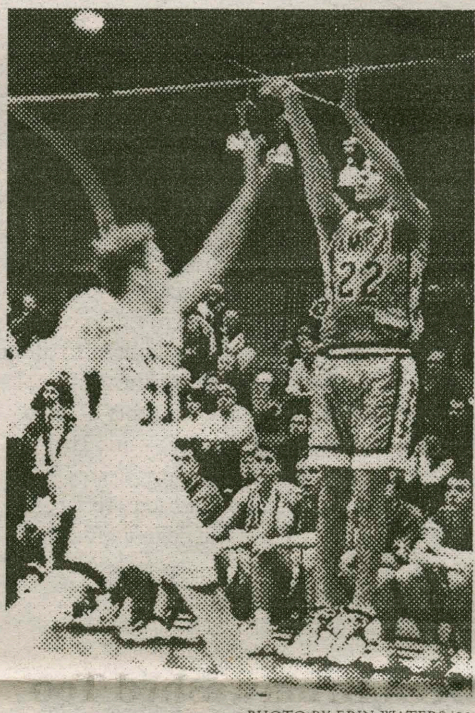
PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01
Jim McCarthy shoots the lights out.

But any road game, especially against Williams is tough."

The first round of the NCAA Tournament is Thursday, March 4th. Hamilton plays in the East region, in which six teams qualify for the tournament, as determined by a regional committee. The two top-seeded teams in the region receive a first-round bye and a second-round home game. In the first round the third seed hosts the sixth seed and the fourth seed hosts the fifth seed.

Last season, the Continentals were the number three seed and crushed SUNY-Geneseo, the sixth seed, by a score of 102-68. In the second round, they traveled to Rochester to play the number two seed, St. John Fisher, who finished the regular season 22-3.

In a classic battle, the Continentals, behind point guard Lamar Johnson, overcame a second-half deficit and defeated the Cardinals, 87-72. The Continentals had their Championship hopes dashed in the next round, as Williams beat them pretty handily.

"We have a lot of the guys back from last year, and they know how we need to play in the tournament," said Schmiegel. "I think the trip this summer to Australia and playing a tough NESCAC schedule has helped get us ready for the tournament."

The Continentals will most likely host a playoff game in the first round. They should receive either the number three or four seed in the East and will probably face either a SUNY school, RIT, or Rochester in the first round.

The only thing the Continentals are certain about now is that they are in the tournament and have a chance to win some basketball games. Hopefully, March Madness begins next Thursday in Clinton, New York, and it should be a blast.

Men's Ice Hockey prepares to defend its ECAC crown

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not come out with as much effort. We were mentally not as focused and physically not there, it took us a while to get into it." Despite the lackluster first period sophomore Vic Cizmarik scored his team leading twentieth goal, while Wesleyan scored the first goal on Scott Grenier in almost one hundred minutes, that streak stretched back to the third period of the game against Middlebury on February, 10 (note Grenier did not play in the game against Skidmore). Going into the second period, Wesleyan took a 2-1 lead. Despite this fact, assistant captain Zac Sweetland noted that "even though we fell behind early, there was no doubt in our minds that we would win this game. We were very confident."

In the second period the team regained the spark they had from the night before, scoring three goals, as Cizmarik, senior Trevor MacArthur, and senior Darren Johnston each had one. Early in the third period the Continentals scored two goals one from Tim Canfield, who is among the league leaders in freshman scoring, and the other from Terry Bevan, who scored on a power play. These goals effectively broke the game wide open, giving Hamilton a 5-2 lead. The final score of the game ended up 6-4. Although the score did not show the total domination that the Continentals exhibited, they outshot the Cardinals 72-24.

Freshman Canute Dalmasse, who was called up to the varsity ranks for the Januray 29 game against Saint Anselm, had three assists this past weekend. He has thoroughly impressed the coaching staff, as Coach Grady said of him, "he has done an oustanding job. He does a good job off the point, but his strength is in his good stick skills and his release. He is going to be one of the players to watch in the future."

These two weekend wins assured the Continentals of a postseason berth in the ECAC Tournament; the only thing that was left to find out was who they were playing. Once the dust had settled from the previous evening's games, the Continentals found out that they had earned a fifth seed and would play Trinity College on the road.

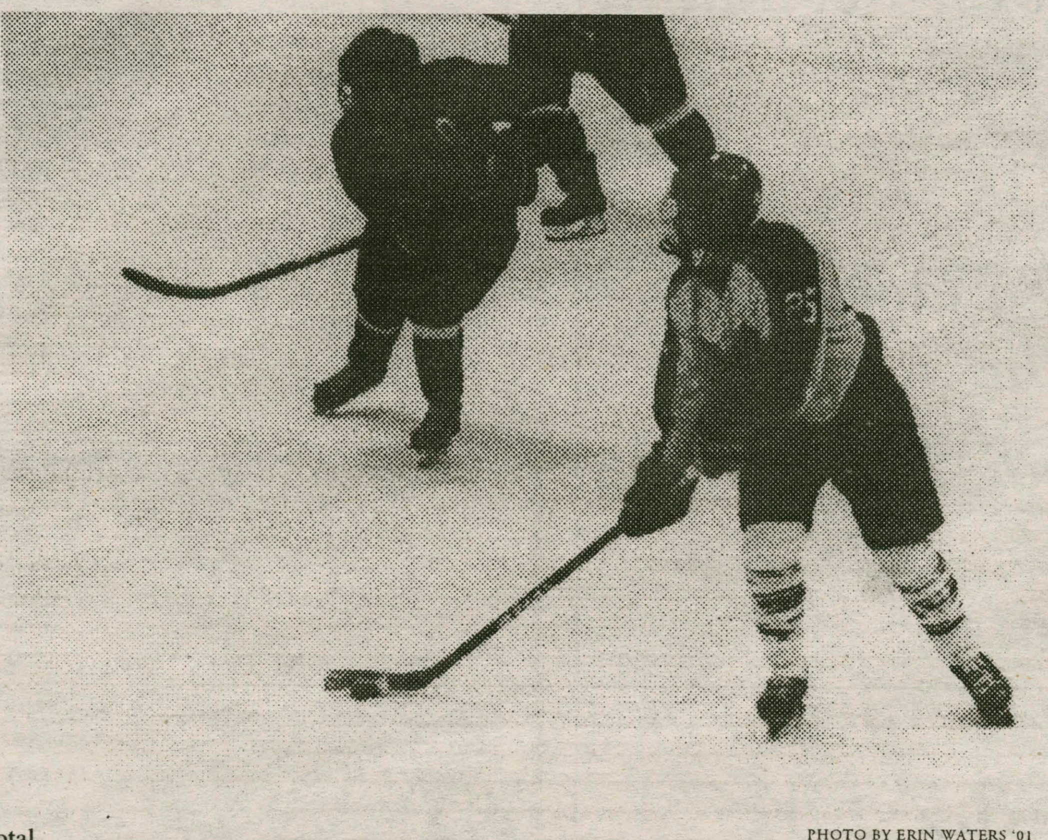
PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01
Junior John Manley looks around for an open teammate as he brings the puck up the ice during the Continentals 6-4 victory over Wesleyan.

The win against Connecticut proved huge, as the Camels must now travel to Maine to play Colby. In addition that win put the Continentals in a great position heading into postseason play, as they have now gone 7-1-1 in their final nine games. Their only loss was to Middlebury, which opted out of the ECAC tournament in hopes of receiving an invitation to the NCAA tournament.

The last time Hamilton played Trinity, they had what probably was their worst outing of the year, according to Zac Sweetland, losing to Trinity by a score of 5-2. According to Sweetland, "the team is excited about getting another shot at Trinity. They beat us earlier in the year and we don't take kindly to being beaten. We won't lose twice." If Hamilton is to win they must do all of the things that have gotten them to this point, which essentially is play the type of hockey that they showed against Connecticut last Friday.

Coach Grady feels "that there is not a team in the tournament that can't win it. Hamilton has as much of an opportunity as anyone. We have experience with our sophomores, juniors and seniors, who have all been in this situation before. In addition we are the defending champs and there is a lot of pride in that."

This team has all the ingredients necessary to win another ECAC crown, good goaltending, four outstanding lines, and six defenseman capable of playing with any line in the league. But, above all that they are the hottest team entering the tournament and when a team is hot there is no telling what the result might be, no matter who you are facing.

Swimming takes second place behind Ithaca at states

By Elizabeth Crispino '01
SPORTS WRITER

This past weekend the Hamilton Women's Swim team hosted the State Championship Meet. Hamilton finished the meet second behind Ithaca, with a point total of 1404.50. Ithaca took first with 1436.50, and LeMoyne took third with 775.50.

In the 400 Relay Free, the Hamilton team of sophomore Jen Kunz, junior Megan Steed, junior Holly Brown and freshman Kat Donovan won with a time of 3:36.05, followed by Ithaca and LeMoyne. Freshman Regan Flynn won the 200 Fly in a time of 2:18.54, with sophomore Emily Pietropaolo placing fifth with a time of 2:19.25. Freshman Kat Donovan had strong finishes throughout the meet, placing second in the 200 Breast, winning the 100 Breast in 1:06.39, and winning the 50 free in 24.57.

Kunz took second place in the 100 free, won the 100 Back in 59.60, and took second in the 50 Free. Steed took third in both the 100 free and the 50 Free. Holly Brown took sixth in the 100 Free and the 200 Free, and won the 200 IM in a time of 2:12.29. Senior captain Alysa Ball was the top Hamilton finisher in the 200 Back with a seventh place finish. Freshman Brooke Hegarty took seventh in the 100 Free, placed second in the 200 Free with a time of 1:59.21, and placed sixth in the 50 Free.

In the 1650 Free, Laura Keneally was the top Hamilton finisher with an eighth place finish. In the 800 Free Relay, Ithaca robbed Hamilton of the top spot, with Hegarty, Flynn, Alysa Ball, and Brown finishing second in 8:10.58. In the 200 Relay Medley, Ithaca again took top honors, with Hamilton coming in a close second, powered by the strengths of Kunz, Donovan, Flynn, and Steed. In the 400 IM, sophomore Amanda Cornaglia placed seventh for the top Hamilton finish in that race. In the 400 Medley Relay, Ithaca took first followed by the Hamilton contingent for second with a time of 4:02.30. Hamilton came back on top in the 200 Free Relay, with Kunz, Steed, Hegarty, and Donovan powering the way.

Finally, on the diving end of things, sophomore Emily "Catapult" Coleman taught New York State a lesson or two about her skills—she became the first Hamilton woman to win the 1 Meter Diving State Championship. She exhibited skill, poise, and confidence as she sprung from the board on her way to victory. Coleman also placed seventh in the 3 Meter Board Diving. Sophomore Korey O'Malley took fifth in the 1 Meter, and ninth in the 3 Meter.

Says coach Thompson of the meet, "I was very pleased with the way the way that the girls performed. We are very proud of each and everyone on the team. The greatest accomplishment of the meet I would say is that after losing terribly to Ithaca in the dual meet earlier this year, we came back and came close to beating them here. It just shows the determination and hard work that these girls put into this season."

On March 11-13, six members of the Hamilton squad will travel to the National Championships at Miami University of Ohio. Steed, Donovan, Hegarty, Kunz and Brown will compete at that meet.

This weekend, the men travel to RPI to the State Meet to see if they can capture the crown.

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Swimmers dive off the blocks in the past weekends' NYSWCAA meet.

Men's Basketball Regular Season Finale

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Women's hockey wraps up season this weekend

By Nikie Sarris '02
SPORTS WRITER

Last Tuesday, Hamilton made up their postponed game against Bates. It was a low-intensity, high-scoring match, with Hamilton jumping all over their opponents. Hamilton sophomores Jenne Atherton, Kathleen Lubin, and Meghan Stasz all scored, with Stasz netting four goals. Senior Amy Williams also sent home a goal, tallying up Hamilton's victory to 8-2.

Coach Reece was happy with the win, but most of her praise fell on Stasz.

She said, "Meghan was always in the right place at the right time and ended up with four goals. It was great to see. She has been one of our most confident players. She's not flashy but she knows how to get the job done."

The women followed Stasz's example and took that attitude to their weekend games against UVM and Middlebury. This is where they showed the true spirit of the sport.

Recovering from the disappointing losses against RIT and Colgate that took them out of the running for the ECAC Tournament, the women stepped onto the ice ready to show what they were made of. Senior Stacy Tyksinski put it best by stating, "Adversity never even reached our vocabulary. It was all about heart."

And that's what won them the game. Seniors Amy Williams and Tyksinski tallied up a total of 3 goals. Tyksinski snuck her first goal in during a power play. Coach Reece loved it. She said, "Stacy's power-play goal was an important one."

Freshman goalie Lorena Gonzalez had an impressive game, guarding the net at all times and not letting any shots sneak by. "Quick shifts and team play lead us to a 3-0 victory over UVM," Tyskinski said.

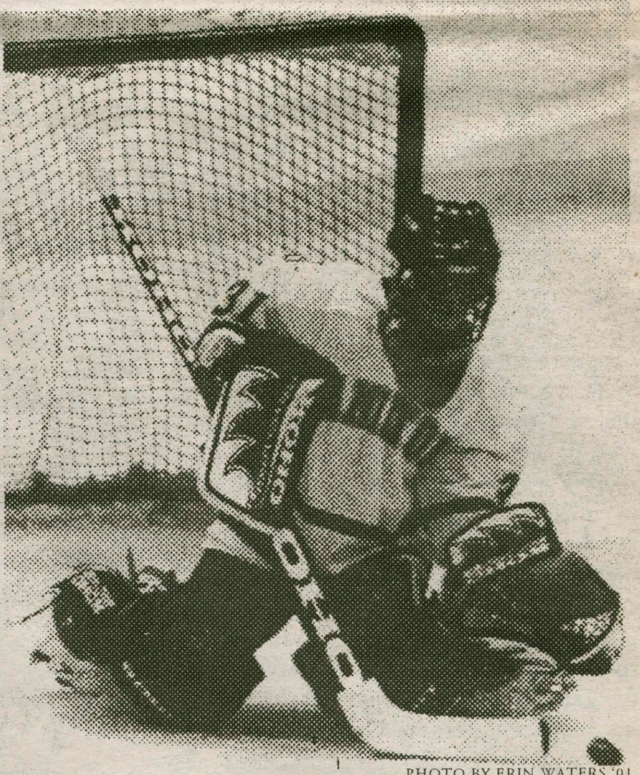
Junior Alexa Slaunwhite commended Hamilton's playing strategy. "The fact that we were not exhausted doesn't mean that we didn't work hard or it wasn't a high intensity game; it just means that we played a smart game, no extra skating. We maintained our composure and played solid hockey."

The win was intended to leave a mark on the '98-99 hockey season. Coach Reece satisfied with the team play, and in particular, a couple of players' performances. "Lorena Gonzalez had a great game, coming up with some big saves at key moments. We were confident in our ability to win the game but it was nice to get those last two goals," Reece explained.

Going into the Middlebury game, Hamilton expected to play much of the game in their own zone. Middlebury is the number one team in the league and has only lost to St. Lawrence and Dartmouth, which are both Division I teams. Coach Reece had a clear game plan. "We needed to stay disciplined in D zone coverage and we needed a great game from goalie Andrea Cecchinalo, which we got," she said.

Hamilton held Middlebury 1-0 until the end of the third period. Middlebury ended with scoring 2 more quick shots, bringing the score up to 3-0. Hamilton skated off the ice with dignity though. Coach Reece said, "We were down by only one goal against the number 1 team in the country. It says a lot about our team play that day. It also proved to us that we have the ability to play with anyone in this league."

Tyksinski added, "I have never been more proud of my team. First off, this was the second closest point spread in the league, and second, we never gave up." Slaunwhite echoed those sentiments. "I think we came closer than any team this year of breaking their record."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Goaltender Lorena Gonzalez makes one of many great saves in her first season between the pipes.

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Women's Basketball falls short against NESCAC foes

By Andy Berman
SPORTS WRITER

The Hamilton women's basketball program has struggled through one of its toughest seasons in recent memory, but the young Lady Continentals are improving. After winning their second game of the year last weekend, they traveled to Maine this past weekend to take on NESCAC opponents Colby and Bowdoin. Both teams have winning records, and Bowdoin is another on a list of nationally ranked teams on Hamilton's schedule.

Friday night was a game marred by fouls. The Continentals were whistled for 27 fouls and Colby was called for another 20. A total of 74 free throws were attempted, 48 by Colby and 26 by the Continentals. The White Mules advantage on the line resulted in 15 extra points and was the difference in the 84-75 final score. Freshman Jenny Russell led the Continentals with 28 points, 7 rebounds, and 3 steals, and freshman Amanda Siepiola chipped in another 13 points.

On Saturday, the Continentals traveled to Bowdoin to face the White Mules, a team ranked 6th in the northeast region and fighting for an NCAA berth. Bowdoin jumped out to a big early lead on the Continentals and led 48-35 at half-time. Despite being outplayed in the first half, and having significantly less to play for, the team responded with a strong second half. Hamilton came out shooting, hitting numerous three pointers and kept the game to a respectable 89-77 final score. The Continentals were again led by Russell and Siepiola, who had 23 and 17 points respectively. Senior Co-captain Jen Moran chipped in 13 in the loss. For her efforts, Russell was named UCAA and NESCAC Rookie of the week for the second week in a row and third time this season. The 51 point performance puts her over 300 for the season, a statistic she leads the team in. Russell ranks among the league leaders in several categories including three point baskets, which she is first in.

The final game of the week was a mid-week game at Middlebury. The Continentals left campus at 2 p.m. on game day, made the 4 hour trek to Middlebury and had to get off the bus and play right away. The travel had its effect as the team struggled offensively in the first half and fell behind 30-19. After getting their legs back at half-time, they again outplayed their opponent in the second half but ended up falling short 70-61. The offense was again carried by Russell who had another 27 points and Siepiola, the only other Continental in double figures, who had 11. Siepiola also added 5 assists and 5 rebounds to finish an outstanding week.

Despite coming up short in all three contests, the Continentals are improving. Siepiola's play is probably the main reason for this. After beginning the season as a starter, Siepiola had seen her playing time decrease steadily. When Russell was unable to play because of the flu, Siepiola got another chance to prove herself, and she has made the most of it. Playing her natural position, point guard, Siepiola has improved the teams play especially on the offensive end by dishing the ball out and this week she got in the scoring column as well, averaging 13.6 points a game. Russell, who has since returned to the lineup, has almost single handedly carried the team offensively throughout the year. She is averaging over 15 points a game and averaged 26 for the week.

The third key freshman in the Continentals lineup received bad news on Monday. Brenna Chiaputti, the team's third leading scorer, found out that an injury she sustained in Saturday's game was more serious than was hoped, as she has a torn ACL (anterior cruciate ligament). Chiaputti is expected to miss the final game of the season, Saturday against Williams.

The Continentals look to continue their improved play this weekend and get another win for the underclassmen to build on for next year. Three seniors will end their Hamilton careers in the teams final home game against another NESCAC rival Williams. Co-captains Jen Moran and Liz Sadler, and Liz Houghton will suit up for the final time in Hamilton uniform as the Continentals try to finish the year on a positive note. Despite the disappointing season, a win in their season finale would be a great ending to the careers of the seniors.

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	Hockey Women's	Hockey Men's	Swimming Women's & Men's	Basketball Women's	Basketball Men's	Squash Women's	Squash Men's	Indoor Track Women's	Indoor Track Men's
Fri. Feb 26							Championships at Harvard 4 pm	NYSCTC Champs. 2 pm	NYSCTC Champs. 2 pm
Sat. Feb 27	Conn College 3 pm	at Trinity 7:45 pm		Williams 3 pm	at Williams 6 pm		Championships at Harvard 11 am	NYSCTC Champs. 9 am	NYSCTC Champs. 9 am
Sun. Feb 28	Sacred Heart 3 pm						Championships at Harvard 11 am		
Mon. Mar 1									
Tues. Mar 2									
Wed. Mar 3									
Thur. Mar 4									
Fri. Mar 5									

Indicates Home Game   Indicates Away Game

Beat the Experts

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NHL				
Nashville at Colorado 2/27	Avalanche	Avalanche	Avalanche	Avalanche
Anaheim at San Jose 2/27	Ducks	Sharks	Ducks	Ducks
Washington at Boston 2/27	Bruins	Bruins	Bruins	Bruins
LA Kings at Dallas 2/28	Stars	Stars	Stars	Stars
NBA				
LA Clippers at LA Lakers 2/26	Lakers	Lakers	Lakers	Lakers
Houston at Vancouver 2/27	Rockets	Rockets	Rockets	Rockets
Charlotte at Chicago 2/27	Bulls	Bulls	Bulls	Hornets
Utah at San Antonio 2/28	Spurs	Spurs	Jazz	Spurs
NCAA Basketball				
Duke at UNC 2/27	Tar Heels	Blue Devils	Blue Devils	Tar Heels
Maryland at FSU 2/27	Terps	Terps	Terps	Terps
Arizona at Stanford 2/27	Cardinal	Cardinal	Cardinal	Cardinal
St. Johns at Villanova 2/27	Red Storm	Red Storm	Red Storm	Red Storm

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NWO Hollywood or the Lakers

DAVE BOLGER

A View from the Bleachers

Your team is favored by many to win a championship. You have one of the best players in the game and one of the best young talents in the league. Despite this, your team is struggling. You're losing just as much as you're winning. So you fire your coach. And to add stability to your team, you look to...Dennis Rodman? That's right, Showtime has become movie time with the Lakers' addition of their second bonefide movie star (and I use that term very loosly). This is one move that might haunt this team. Rodzilla is good, damn good. He is the best rebounder in the game. No argument. But his ability to do the unthinkable (kick a camera man, headbutt a ref, marry himself, etc.) may be too much to handle for the Lakers. If you recall, the Lakers were too much for Magic Johnson to handle when they didn't have Rodman, and Magic is a guy who thinks he can handle Mike Tyson.

For a team in turmoil, adding Rodman to the mix might not be the best plan. If the master of zen himself, Phil Jackson and his

Airness Michael Jordan had troubles controlling Rodman, how will Kurt Rambis? If the Lakers thought Nick Van Exel was hard to deal with, wait till they get a load of the Worm. Jackson handled Rodman the best he could and still had troubles. The new Laker coach is going to have enough to deal with trying to turn this team around. Throw Rodman into the mix and it could make for a very interesting story.

Rodman's antics aside, I'm interested to see how Shaq is going to handle Rodman and vice versa. There are already rumors that O'Neal and Kobe Bryant have had some scuffles. What's going to happen when this tattooed time bomb comes to town? Already Rodman has bashed his teammates saying they know nothing about basketball. Imagine what he'll say when he gets to know them.

Now in L.A., Rodman is closer to Hollywood and Las Vegas than he was in Chicago. Can't you see the headlines in a few weeks saying the Worm is AWOL? I can see him bolting from the team for a few days to go on a bender in Vegas. Hey, he's done it before. And playing for only a million dollars (Did I just say only a million? Gotta love sports!), Rodman's attention may fall elsewhere than the Western Forum, say, Hollywood. He said himself that he was thinking of retiring so he could make movies. Well, he's in tinsel town, just like the other scenario, couldn't you see Rodman turn up missing because he's off making Double Team 2? At least then the NWO Hollywood would truly be Hollywood.

What ever happened to loyalty?

Rodman's departure from the Bulls and signing with the Lakers is another example of this sickening trend in professional sports where more and more atheletes will only play for "contenders." We saw Deion Sanders do it. He went to the 49ers because he thought they were contenders, won his ring, and then jumped ship, headed to a stacked Dallas team, and won another ring.

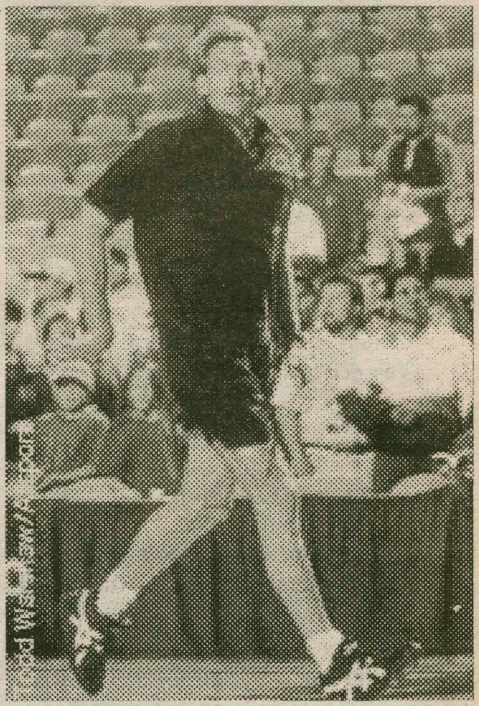
Look at what point guard Kevin Johnson is doing. There are several teams in the league that would love to have his services. But KJ wants to play for a contender and won't sign unless the perfect situation comes along.

What ever happened to loyalty? Once guys like Ray Bourque and Cal Ripkin are gone, the Seinfeld joke that in cheering for our favorite team, all we really root for is a uniform will become true. Gone are the chance to have a favorite player on you favorite team because in a year or two, that player will head to a "contender." Well, if these guys were any good, they would stay with the team they are on and make that team a contender.

Perhaps all is not lost just yet, however. Recently, a well educated NHL goalie decided to pass up the chance to test the free agent market and re-sign with his current team. Guy Hebert signed a contract extension despite many beliefs that he should wait and get more money at the end of the season from the highest bidder. Hebert said he likes Anaheim and had no reason to leave. Maybe it's the maturity and integrity he gained here at Hamilton or just the fact that he indeed does like it in Anaheim, but it refreshing to see someone have some loyalty in professional sports.

Ask the "expert"

Since I have been dubbed an expert (see *Beat the Experts* box to the left), I have decided to share my knowledge. I invite you to submit your questions and comments to *A View From the Bleachers*. If you have a burning question about sports you'd like answered or something you'd like to share, or if you just want to tell me how stupid I am,



send it on in. All questions or comments should be sent to Dave Bolger, c/o The Spectator, 198 College Hill Rd. Clinton, NY 13323 or emailed to dbolger@hamilton.edu. I look forward to hearing from you. Your questions and comments will be addressed in future issues.

The Spectator Athlete Spotlight: Scott Grenier '00

By John Meehan '00
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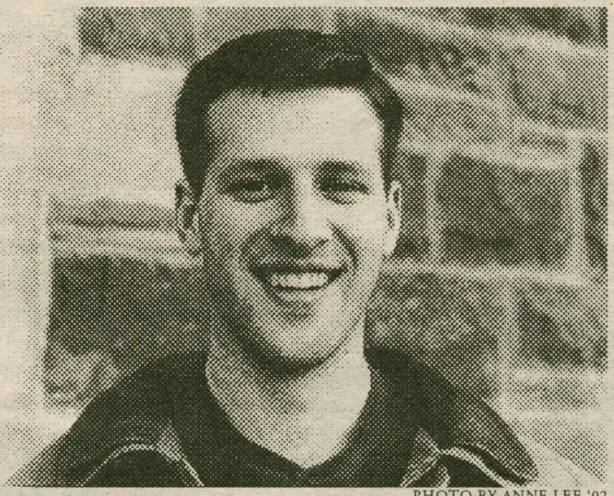


PHOTO BY ANNE LEE '02

Scott Grenier is even more handsome than this photo indicates. In addition to being a heartthrob off the ice, the junior goaltender has helped lead the Hamilton College hockey team into the ECAC play-offs once again. An economics major from Taunton, Massachusetts, Grenier has come up big when it has really counted as of late. Throughout the last string of games in which he has started, Grenier shut out the highly ranked, extremely potent offense of Connecticut College, defeated Wesleyan, St. Anselms, Southern Maine, and Salem State, tied New England College and lost a good game to the always tough Middlebury Panthers. He has averaged just under 24 saves per game through this stretch. In the ECAC, Grenier is ranked eighth in goals against average and sixth in winning percentage. His play has also earned him a spot on the ECAC Honor Roll this past week.

Scott makes up only one half of a tandem of superior goaltenders who have blessed the hockey team over the course of the past three seasons. Grenier and Brent Davey have shared time through most of their careers here. They balance each the other out and are constantly praising each other's abilities. "We're lucky to have both of them," said coach Phil Grady about his netminders.

Davey was taking most of the responsibility between the posts early on in the season. This did not deter Grenier's enthusiasm as he readied himself for any opportunity that came along. "I've stayed focused throughout the season and tried to stay ready when I wasn't playing," Scott said while resting his bruised and battered body after a long week of practice. The team is preparing for Saturday's playoff game against Trinity. As far as his take on the playoffs, Grenier says, "We've got to play every game in that we can't look past one team until we play them and beat them. We have a lot of experience that will help lead us."

In high school, Grenier played for Governor Dummer Academy in Massachusetts. There he was a varsity starter for three years. He also played for Team Massachusetts in the Chicago Showcase and Hockey Night in Boston during his junior and senior years of high school.

Scott started playing hockey and specifically, goaltender, at the tender age of seven. He has always played goal as he followed in his older brother's footsteps who formerly played for the Saginaw Gears, a semi-professional team. Scott may be following in his brother's footsteps with his stellar performances over the past weeks. "Grenier's done a great job of taking the opportunity when it came to him. Both the goaltenders have given the team the chance to win all year," said junior center John Manley about his close friend and teammate. Terry Bevan, a junior defenseman goes on to say, "He's meant everything to us. We've relied on him more than in the past." Anyone who has ever played a varsity sport at the collegiate level knows the sacrifice and commitment necessary not only to participate, but to play like a champion and be a class act while doing it. Hockey has played a significant role in his life here at Hamilton. "I've learned to manage my time better over the years. Getting work done before road trips is difficult, but you do what you have to do," says Scott. When asked about whether he plans to continue playing after Hamilton, he just shrugs and says, "If the opportunity arises."

Scott Grenier has stepped up and played with an attitude of intensity and determination when his team has needed him most. He is a true student athlete who's hockey ability is only outdone by his modesty in dealing with the much deserved adulation. I wish Scott and the rest of the hockey team the best of luck Saturday night at Trinity.

Squash ends successful season ranked 14th in national poll

By Liz Brecht '99
SPORTS WRITER

Last weekend the women's squash team travelled to Harvard University to take place in the Howe Cup, the national tournament for collegiate team squash. The team competed in the prestigious B division of the tournament, marking the first time that the Hamilton Women were out of the C and D divisions in over 15 years.

Entering the tournament ranked national number 13, the squad's first challenge was against NESCAC rival Wesleyan. Having lost 5-4 to this team just two weeks prior to the tournament, the Continentals were out looking for revenge. Senior Emma McLaren won a terrific match in five games at the number three spot, beating the same opponent she had lost to in the teams' first meeting. Also winning key matches for the squad were Junior Sayako Shibazaki at the number one spot, Senior co-captain Liz Brecht at the number two spot and Sophomore Eileen Wildman at the number five spot. Unfortunately, Hamilton suffered a heartbreaking defeat in a final score of 5-4.

The next morning, the squad faced another familiar foe, Smith College. Having lost to this squad 5-4 in a very controversial match just two weeks before, Hamilton was once again searching for a big win. Sophomore Sarah Quinlan and McLaren both underwent difficult extended matches, but unfortunately suffered losses at the racquets of their Smith opponents. Senior Andie Woloszyn won a very important match for the Continentals, as did Junior Amanda Chaimovich, Sophomore Liz Hurley,, Wildman and Brecht which combined to give the squad a close 5-4 match. Co-captain Jocelyn Torio stated that "the win against Smith made the whole weekend worthwhile. I was really pleased that we were able to finally beat this team."

The lady squashers' last test was found in tough Colby College; the Continentals had beaten this team 5-4 before Christmas, but now playing without two playes lost to study abroad, found themselves with a more difficult challenge. Indeed, this match proved to be a close one with many of the matches going to extended games. Unfortunately wins by Wildman, Chaimovich and Brecht were unable to secure the win as the squad fell 6-3.

Senior Emma McLaren remarked that "our 1-2 record at the Howe Cup certainly wasn't indicative of how well each of us performed. Wesleyan, Smith and Colby are all really strong teams—just even to be able to compete with them in such close matches reflects how far we have come both as a team and as individual players."

Coach Billy Austin echoed this sentiment saying that "for these girls, who were ranked number twenty-one last year and number twenty-four two years ago to have moved up this far, despite losing two players half-way through the season, is truly remarkable. This is by far the best squash team that this school has had in almost a decade—I couldn't be prouder of their hard work."

The squad ended the season with an well-deserved number fourteen national ranking. Over the course of the season each indivdual player greatly improved, giving the squad the ability to compete with teams such as Wesleyan who had, in previous years, beaten the Continentals easily. As Torio stated, "from the bottom of the ladder to the very top, each memeber of the team contributed in some way. Even the girls who weren't on the ladder who came to practice every day during the season pushed hard and made our program that much better."

With an impressive final record of 12-6, the women's squash team is to be commended as one of the top Hamilton teams of this winter season.

Basketball & Hockey Information

INFORMATION COMPILED BY DAVID ZANE '02 & PETER RINGEL '01

ECAC Hockey Playoff Information

Playoff Seedings

	School
1	Norwich
2	Williams
3	Colby
4	Trinity
5	Hamilton
6	Conn. College
7	N.E. College
8	UMass-Boston
9	Salem State
10	Babson

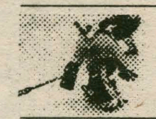
ECAC Tournament Quarterfinal Round
Saturday, February 27
UMass Boston at Norwich 7:30 pm
New England College at Williams 7:30 pm
Connecticut College at Colby 7:30 pm
Hamilton at Trinity 7:45 pm

ECAC Tournamen Semifinals & Finals
Semifinals: *Friday, March 5 - site & time TBA*
Finals: *Saturday, March 6 - site & time TBA*

UCAA Men's Hoops Standings

	UCAA Record			Overall Record	
School	W-L	Pts.	Win %	W-L	Win %
Hamilton	**9-3**	**27**	**.750**	**13-7**	**.650**
Skidmore	6-5	18	.545	9-11	.450
St. Lawrence	6-3	18	.667	11-8	.579
Union	6-4	18	.600	13-9	.590
Rensselaer	5-5	15	.500	13-8	.619
Clarkson	2-7	6	.222	9-13	.409
Hobart	2-9	6	.181	6-17	.261

* TEAMS RANKED BY UCAA RECORD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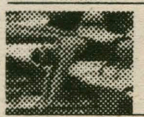
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Two weekend wins propel Men's Hockey into ECAC Tournament; Team will face Trinity next

By David Zane '02
SPORTS EDITOR

PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01

Sophomore Sean Smith and Tim Halewicz of Skidmore each attempt to win the faceoff as they prepare for the referee to drop the puck.

With arguably their best performance this year, the men's ice hockey team qualified for the ECAC Tournament for the seventh consecutive year. Playing host to Connecticut College, the Continentals put together their best game of the year. The next night against Wesleyan the team was a little bit off in the first period, but picked up their play in the last two. For the weekend the team put together five excellent periods of hockey.

Against Connecticut College on Friday, the team came out very sharp. In fact, the team had a goal waved off in the first minute of play. On a specific Camel power play Hamilton totally dominated, not letting Connecticut out of their own zone for the full two minutes. Finally 7:29 into the first period junior Chris Baudo netted his fourteenth goal of the season. Senior Darren Johnston and junior John Manly provided assists on the goal.

With just over five minutes left in the period, Trevor MacArthur, the team's total points leader with twenty-seven, scored his twelfth goal of the season. As the first period wound to a close the Continentals had taken twelve shots on goal and connected on two of them.

The second period began much the same way as the first, with Hamilton dominating. The Continentals got a power play goal from captain Brian Coakley early in the second. From then on out no other goals would be scored in the game, but at that point it seemed as though the Continentals had the game under control. "Our whole game came together," said coach Phil Grady, "we skated the full sixty minutes and were able to force many Connecticut turnovers . . . this was by far our best game of the year." Senior Zac Sweetland echoed his coaches sentiments by adding, "Our defense played especially well, not letting Connecticut College score and holding them to only twenty-four shots."

Speaking of defense, goal tender Scott Grenier has been on fire recently. He recorded his first and only shutout of the year with a masterful performance, stopping all twenty-four shots that came his way. In addition, he made some amazing saves to preserve his shutout. "Grenier has been playing incredibly well and everyone has unbelievable confidence in him . . . he has taken the torch that was passed to him and run with it," Sweetland said. Perhaps junior Terry Bevan put it best, "Come playoff time the team with the hottest goalie wins championships, because just about everything else the two teams have are equal." If that is the case, then Hamilton has put itself in a very good position to win the ECAC Tournament as they have the services of two veteran goaltenders, both of whom have playoff experience.

On Saturday night, which was senior night, the team came out a little bit flat. Sweetland attributed this to a mental letdown, but then added that team made up for the letdown in the first by "putting it to them" it the final forty minutes. The first period letdown also could have been attributed to the fact that it was senior night, but Coach Grady put it very bluntly, "we were not as sharp as the night before and we did

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"Going to the Dance!" St. Lawrence loss gives Continentals automatic bid

By Peter Ringel '01
SPORTS EDITOR

At the beginning of the season, it would have been hard to imagine that on the second to last weekend of the regular season, the men's basketball team might not qualify for the NCAA Tournament. But that is exactly the position the Continentals found themselves in last weekend. In order to clinch an automatic bid in the NCAA Tournament, the team needed St. Lawrence to lose one of its final three league games. The Saints complied and lost to RPI last Saturday giving the Continentals the UCAA Title. "There was definitely a sense of relief," admitted senior forward Max Stroman. "We had such high expectations going into this season and we're hoping to better than we did last season. Everyone knows that after Saturday the slate gets wiped clean and the tournament begins."

Heading into last weekend, the Continentals had lost two games in a row and were faced with the daunting task of playing back-to-back contests with Colby and Bowdoin. The weekend was disastrous as the team lost both games to the Maine schools even though it appeared Hamilton clearly possessed more talent than its opponents.

In the Colby game, the Continentals jumped out to a 9-0 lead and looked in complete control. Head coach Tom Murphy tried to start all of his seniors in their final home games. On Friday, forward Jeremy Deason and center Peter Bishop started against the White Mules and both looked very impressive. JD and Bishop both showed they could contribute, as Deason scored two points and Bishop grabbed three rebounds in limited time. It did not matter who was on the court for Hamilton, because Colby kept hitting three-pointers to keep the game close throughout the first half. The Continentals led 37-34 at the break, but let the lead slip away throughout the second half and eventually lost the game 77-74.

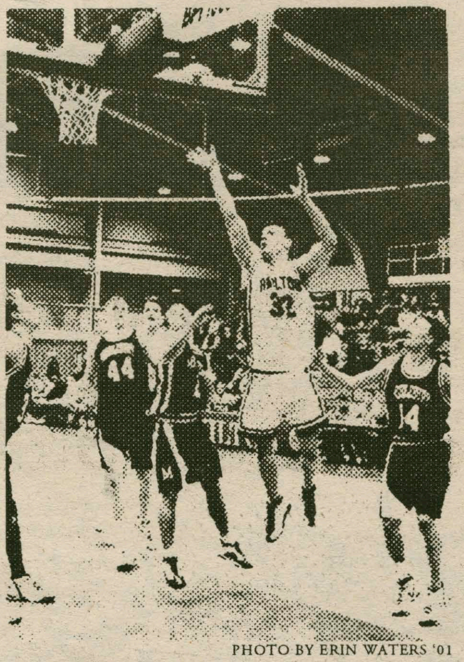
PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01

Max Stroman goes up for the layup as Bowdoin defenders look on in awe.

"Colby was a good team, and we couldn't get a break," said Murphy. "We could've played better, but we didn't shoot the ball well. They shot 48 percent, and we shot 39 percent and that was the difference in the game. However, the game went down to the wire and we had chances, but the game just got away from us."

The Continentals received outstanding contributions from co-captains Michael Schantz and Stroman. Schantz continued his terrific play scoring 34 points and grabbing eight rebounds, while Stroman had an outstanding day with 16 points, 10 rebounds, and four blocks. Sophomore guard Jimmy McCarthy chipped in with 13 points off the bench. The disappointing loss to Colby continued the pattern this season in which the Continentals lose Friday night games and

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WOMEN'S SWIMMING
8-2
MEN'S SQUASH
5-9
WOMEN'S SQUASH
12-6
MEN'S TRACK
4-2
WOMEN'S TRACK
5-1